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The Real Reunification Of Germany Starts Now

Helga Zepp-LaRouche gave this address to the Schiller Institute conference on Sept. 25. She is the founder of the Schiller Institute, and chairwoman of the Civil Rights Movement Solidarity (BüSo) party in Germany.

Well, dear friends, one of my most favorite Spirituals (and I'm not going to sing it, so don't worry) is "I Sing Because I'm Happy, I Sing Because I'm Free." And that's exactly what we did in Saxony, where we were happy, because we were singing. This happiness is what caught on in the population, in the Monday demonstrations, and when our young people went to the rallies, to the neighborhoods. And the singing, the experience of the young people singing beauty to the people, radiating beauty, *and* that there is a perspective, a way out of this terrible crisis—namely, that we all only need to change the economic policy, and there is a solution. Eight million jobs can be created.

This changed Saxony. Our intervention did bring in, for the first time, I would say, at least since 15 years, the spark of hope. And for us, it resulted in a remarkable vote, given the fact that the media always tried to eliminate us from the public conscience, we made a real breakthrough! We got a remarkable vote—2 to 3% wherever we had direct candidates, and Markus even got almost 6%. So, this was done; we said 50 youth, but in reality it was much less, because most of the youth were doing many things at the same time. So, you can actually say, it was average 30-40 youth, 25,000 euros—what is 25,000 euros? It's almost nothing—in ten weeks.

Now, that makes very clear, if we would just have five times as many people, five times as many euros, and you know, maybe the same amount of weeks, we would be in the next parliament. So, we will do it next time!

We do it by uplifting the population, and we started to do this in Saxony with a very promising beginning.

Europe and the U.S. Election

Now, obviously, for the next future, the really big issue, the big one which will determine the fate of mankind for a long time to come—Lyn talked about this already, yesterday—is the November election in the United States. And the whole world—maybe the world more than even the American citizen—is painfully aware that if Bush is re-elected, if Bush-Cheney would be there for "four more years" (I mean, I still have this horrible sound from the Republican Convention in

my ear), forget about world peace.

But, fortunately, under Lyn's absolutely uncompromising leadership—and I know what went into this in the last weeks—the Kerry campaign is becoming more aggressive. And Lyn has changed the agenda of Kerry, by saying, rather than what Shrum-bag advisor from the Kennedy team was advising, that Kerry should not even make any election campaign, but just react and let Bush defeat himself, this fortunately was changed. And Lyn said, if you have a very, very stupid President and you surround him by new agenda items, so that he gets a tizzy in the mind, that he can only prepare and learn by heart one speech on one subject; but if five subjects are thrown at him, he gets thrown off course. And the good beginning was that Kerry started to attack the absolute failure of the Iraq War.

Now, this is very important, and it has an immediate implication for our ability to intervene, from Europe—and I know this is the question which is in the minds of many people: What can we in Europe do, to decide the outcome of this historical election?

Now, the fact that Lyn got Kerry to change his policy on the Iraq War, gives us already a leverage here: Because, up to now—and we picked this up personally in several very high-level discussions—the point was out, "Bush will be re-elected, you better get adjusted to it." And then, the impotent Europeans, the not-so-courageous politicians said, "Well, if there is a re-election of Bush and Cheney, well, we better play turtle." You know what happens to a turtle, when the danger comes, the turtle pulls the head in, and pulls it under the chin, and that was essentially what these politicians do. "Because, if we stick our head out now, we will get hit over the head in November, so better let's not expose ourselves."

And this, we are going to change. We are saying, "No," to this cowardice. We will mobilize all of Europe. And make everything possible to activate the so-called "hyphenated Americans": the German-Americans, the Italian-Americans, the Scandinavian-Americans—to basically assert all influence they have, and all other channels and diplomatic channels, and so forth. Because it is very clear: We have to impress on the American population, with every means possible, that the issue of Bush or Kerry is the issue of world peace, or World War III—depression and war, or a New Deal.

But, with the Kerry speech on Iraq, we have a new situation in Europe, because Schröder can now say—and Lyn already told you yesterday what he is doing in the background—Schröder can now say, "See the Democratic Presidential candidate is saying the same thing as I said about the Iraq War." So, it's no longer Europe, Old Europe/New Europe against the United States, but the question is, who was right? And Schröder *was* right, and Kerry is now saying the same thing. So, the whole issue of the Transatlantic tension is no longer there.

It also means that this strange CDU Chairwoman Merkel, who has been so disgustingly crawling in front of the neo-



Helga Zepp-LaRouche with members of the youth movement. The real reunification of Germany, she stressed, will only occur on the basis of the highest level of Classical culture, the culture of Bach, Beethoven, and Schiller.

cons in respect to the Iraq War, she is proven completely wrong! She is basically, totally, untrustworthy, and has very poor judgment. Nobody should trust Merkel. If she's wrong on the Iraq War, she's also wrong on all other issues. And she was politically extremely stupid on the Hartz IV, in the Saxony and Brandenburg elections. She could have just kept her mouth shut, and let the SPD [Social Democratic Party] take the brunt for the policy. But, she had to outdo Schröder, and, you know, the result was very clear: The CDU lost 7% in Brandenburg and they lost 15% in Saxony.

Now, Merkel—and I don't want to say the rhyme which you all know, because of the libel laws, I'm not going to do it—so Merkel can thank Milton Friedman, because [Saxony state President (CDU) Georg] Milbradt went, in the middle of the election campaign, to California, to sneakingly, secretly meet Milton Friedman (of all people!) to consult with him in the hotel. And she also can thank Meinhard Miegel, and since, I think it was Lucien asking yesterday, what are the enemies we have to fight in Europe, I'm going to give you a couple of such names. But, I think the results in Saxony, in particular, and Brandenburg, shows what happens in times like this, to the *Betonköpfe*, to the “concrete-heads.”

But, then you see, how ridiculous it is, from the SPD now. And it shows you how completely the Baby-Boomer generation misses the boat! How they don't understand reality any more! How ridiculous it was, when the SPD, after this election election result of 9.6% in Saxony, said they had a good result, because the CDU lost more! The question is, will

the SPD exist? And we just recently met a very high-ranking SPD person, who, when I pointed out this fact, that if the SPD continues like that, they *will* not exist, *he* said, “As an SPD man, *if* they continue like that, they do not *deserve* to exist.” And that is the reality of the thing.

But, this is not some academic analysis. If Kerry wins, and Lyn can introduce an FDR New Deal policy, everything will change in Europe—I mean, everything will change, dramatically! So, we are in an absolutely, breathtakingly *spannende Moment* [cliffhanger moment]. But since they're still waiting, we already started the change ourselves, with the process we put into motion in the Saxony campaign.

Hartz IV: Our Battle Against Schachtian Austerity

Schiller, in his famous forward in the historical writings about the separation of the Netherlands from Spain, said that if good people come together with a good plan, they can always defeat the power of the tyrant. Now, it is very clear that we have challenged the international, synarchist fascist oligarchy in a very significant way: Because, as we retrospectively found out, they had decided to do everything possible to have Bush re-elected, and to postpone the financial collapse of the system, until after November, to not have anything upset the Bush re-election. In the meantime, it was their absolute determination, to impose Schachtian austerity in the G-8 countries, and in the Third World countries. And to basically threaten all countries with economic warfare, financial war-

fare: You had the famous move by the private firm, Standard & Poor's, threatening to downgrade the German debt to junk status, like that of other so-called "failed states" like Argentina, or other countries of the Third World who can't pay their debt; by forcing Schröder to capitulate by making economic warfare operations in the beginning of August, by showing the big fist, "Look, we can bring your economies down in no time, if we desire to do so."

Now Hartz IV, the famous labor market reform, was the Schachtian policy in disguise, which was supposed to be swallowed by the population, similar to policies in Italy, France, Holland, Switzerland. Well, but Hartz IV is only the first wave: Because after Hartz IV, which hits the long-term unemployed, the pensions are supposed to be cut, and the living standard of the Baby-Boomer generation, the so-called middle-level income, is supposed to be smashed. That's what [Federal Reserve Chairman Alan] Greenspan openly said. He said, "We did not tell the people the truth. We promised too much. We cannot pay these pensions. We cannot pay these wages. The living standard has to be cut, in general." And Anne Krueger, the vice president of the IMF, even said, "Well, the aging problem, that the population has become older and less children are coming along, is not only a problem which affects the so-called industrialized countries, but also the so-called Third World. Brazil and India"—and she singled out these two countries—"have to cut the living standard, because of the aging of the population."

Now, for those of you who do not know what Hartz IV is, Hartz IV was the trigger point of this whole process: Hartz IV is a so-called labor market reform, which says that after one year of unemployment, the long-term unemployed only get the same amount of money as the people on social welfare, EU 345 in the West, EU 331 in the East. And you can think what a living standard you can afford with that kind of money. But not only that. Before you get a single penny, or single cent, the unemployment authorities come to your home, and check if you have any hidden properties: if you have a *Sparschwein* [piggy bank], a little piglet of your children, with money they save; if you have life insurance, a pension plan, other valuables. And you have to first spend all of this, before you get one cent of this money.

So, it's not only an expropriation, but it is degradation, because you are being treated like a criminal, the moment you have the misfortune to become unemployed. And is it your fault if you become unemployed? You can become unemployed if you are a teacher, a professor, a baker, whatever—it's not your fault! But it means that, automatically, with this law, more than 4 million people will be thrown on the level of absolute poverty.

Now, it is not only socially totally unjust, because those poor people who are hit will be affected, but it is economically completely incompetent, because not one productive job is being created by it.

So the plan was, "Let's sneak Hartz IV in Germany, pension reform in Italy, similar cuts in France, make Holland and

Denmark the model of austerity policy, and let's sneak it through; let's blackmail the governments, let's get the populations to adopt it, and everything will be fine," so thought Alan Greenspan. But, fortunately Alan Greenspan lives in the not-so-complex domain universe, and therefore he was mistaken: Because the universe is not composed out of linear statistics, as Alan Greenspan said. And what Greenspan did not calculate, was the power of *bel canto* singing. This was not in his equation.

So at the end of June, beginning of July, Maestro Briano¹ came first to the little forest village in nearby Coblenz, and there for one week, about 100 young people were singing every day for eight hours, ten hours, as long as Maestro Briano had the energy to do it. And then they got so excited, they went on to Paris to have another week of "*bel cano*"—*bel canto* singing (I'm talking about [my dog] Maibow, obviously, the "*bel cano*")—and people were learning very, very seriously the beauty of *Jesu meine Freude*, the beautiful Bach motet; then, *Freude schöne Götterfunken*, and such beautiful songs from the German resistance, like *Die Gedanken sind frei*.

The Saxony Campaign

So, with this ammunition, we decided to move into the Saxony campaign and to make it a European campaign. So, on the July 7, we distributed the first leaflet with the title, "*In Sachsen muß die Wirtschaft wachsen*" ("The economy must grow in Saxony"). And this leaflet was really cutting like a hot knife through butter, because it touched the nerve: It was against Hartz IV, it mentioned the fact that the economic system of the globalized free market economy is as bankrupt as the D.D.R. [communist East German] economy was in October '89. And it mentioned the fact, that in Saxony, we have to create 700,000 new jobs, with a EU 20 billion investment per year, as part of the larger package for all of Germany for 8 million jobs with EU 200 billion investment. And we said that it can be done, because the Saxon people have a very proud tradition of Bach, Lessing, List, and that the real Saxony will assert itself. We also called, in this leaflet, for the Monday demonstration.

So an electric response was the result. Every day, we had a beautiful, busy office. Some of the people who visited were in total shock about the chaos—everything seemed to be totally going in all directions, but it was alive! We had a full life—*Leben in der Bude*. We had dozens of people, coming in, calling, demanding hundreds of leaflets to distribute, and e-mails.

So it was really a very, very fascinating process, that, in Leipzig, where we had the first demonstration. At the first demonstration, there were three people outside our own members; then the next time, 60; the third week, 200. In the meantime, Rainer had called all the different organizations in Leipzig and asked them if they would join. And they said,

1. José Briano is a renowned singing teacher from Mexico.



The LaRouche Youth Movement's singing gladdened hearts during the Saxony campaign, as it is doing worldwide. Here, the LYM's banner reads, "The economy must grow in Saxony"—the slogan which caught the imagination of the increasingly impoverished citizens of that eastern state, where the drive to topple communism began in 1989.

"No, no. We are all on holiday. We only come back in September. We will not do anything until September." But then came the beginning of August, and these people said, "Hey, wait a second. If the BüSo are the only ones who are doing this, they will absorb all the ferment, and we better do our own Monday demonstrations, or they will be the only ones capitalizing on this."

Well, why did we get such a response? It was not just Hartz IV. There were vicious austerity policies at other times. But, what came to the forefront—and I had a very strong feeling, already some years ago, when we started to do the so-called "*Ostprojekt*" [Eastern Project] that there was something fundamentally different in East Germany, than in West Germany. And that exploded. What exploded in the Monday demonstrations, was the feeling that the people of the East had gotten 14 years of second-class-citizen treatment, and that is why this explosion occurred.

The Peaceful Revolution of 1989

Now, '89 was a peaceful revolution. It was, maybe, not as successful as the American Revolution, but it *was* a peaceful revolution, and you should not be fooled by the fact that people afterwards have renamed it "*Wende*," "change." That was one of these cases of Orwellian double-talk, taking away the benefit of the people who did this peaceful revolution.

Remember this period, I just want to very shortly get you the association of this period. Remember, in July in '89, the fact that the D.D.R. was bankrupt became visible. There was a supply crisis, things were not to be had any more. Then,

came the change in the travel arrangements in Poland, which sparked, all of a sudden, the desire of the people from the D.D.R. to go into the West. They did not want to go only to the Crimea to the Black Sea, to Hungary, to the Plattensee—they all of a sudden said, "We want to go to the West."

So in a very short period of time, people fled to the embassies, to Prague, people were crowding by the hundreds in Warsaw, Budapest, and Monday demonstrations grew from, in the beginning, only a couple of people with candlelights, to quickly becoming tens of thousands, hundreds of thousands. Then, on Oct. 7, in '89, you had the 40-year anniversary of the D.D.R. And [East German party chief Erich] Honecker said, "*In Sozialismus in seinem lauf, hat weder Ochs noch Esel auf*"—"Socialism in its course, is not blocked by ox or horse" (and that's free rhyming). And, basically, in exactly three weeks, or two weeks, before Honecker was then out.

But, remember, there was a very large military parade for the 40-year anniversary of the D.D.R., with tanks, all modern weaponry. And the big question was—and it was very tense—will there be a reaction from the Soviets like there was in 1953, on the famous June 17, when people also stood up; but then, tanks flattened everything? Or, would it be like 1956 in Hungary, where we have Tibor and Judith [Kovats],² who were *Zeitzeugen* [eyewitnesses] of this, representing the Association of Political Prisoners? When I went to Hungary for the first time, on Oct. 23 in 1990, I got a vivid, very vivid

2. The Kovatses were in attendance at the conference, where Tibor Kovats was honored by the audience in celebration of his 82nd birthday.

description of how this was! The West cheated the Hungarian people who did the upheaval, but so did the East! They were left completely in the corner. Or, in '68 in Prague, where also the tanks intervened.

But, if you remember, at that point, it was the very courageous and clever intervention of such people as Pfarrer Führer from the peace prayer; Kurt Masur, the conductor of the Gewandhaus Orchestra, who intervened and maintained a peaceful character of these demonstrations. Twelve days later, Honecker was out. On Nov. 9, the Wall came down. And you all remember these pictures, how people were climbing the Wall, embracing each other, kissing each other with tears of joy.

But, some remained, even then, *Betonköpfe*, concrete-heads, and others became *Wendehälse*, turncoats.

Then, in the month of November, a total undefined situation, we again intervened with this leaflet, "Beloved Germany, Continue." We produced very quickly the Productive Triangle proposal, to have the area from Paris-Berlin-Vienna as one economic region, which, after the fall of the Wall, could be integrated through high-speed transport corridors, and then bring the development of the West through these development corridors to Poland, to Warsaw, to Kiev, to the Balkans.

The Potential Was Sabotaged

Then on Nov. 30, [Deutsche Bank official Alfred] Herrhausen was killed—a big, dramatic intervention, which was meant to be a signal to the German establishment: Don't dare to deviate from the IMF geopolitical designs at that time. Because, as we later found out, Herrhausen was the only banker who echoed what we were saying at that time. Namely, he wanted to go to New York, a week later, to give a speech where he said the same thing that Lyn had said in '88 already: Let's develop Poland *outside* of the framework of the IMF, with the means of the Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau [Reconstruction Finance Agency] as a model, as it was used in the immediate post-war period.

So then came the first visit of [Chancellor Helmut] Kohl to Dresden. And, this, according to his own interviews, was the first time that Kohl realized that reunification was on the agenda: Because when he saw tens of thousands of people in Dresden, yelling "Helmut! Helmut!" he was moved! This Kohl was moved—can you imagine this? So, this was an absolutely unbelievable moment: It was a *Sternstunde der Menschheit* [star-struck moment of mankind] and everything would have been possible.

Now, the East-West relationship could have been put on a new basis, and we all know what happened. Instead of using this moment, this rare moment, when statesmen can intervene and shape history, this did not happen. Why? Because in America, the neo-cons had already gathered, after the collapse of the Soviet Union became apparent, to go for a "New American Century" doctrine; and you had the sabotage of Margaret Thatcher, Mitterrand, and Bush, Sr. So, these beautiful Ger-

man unification forces became the victim of the geopolitical machinations of these Anglo-Americans and French forces.

So, Germany was forced to give up the D-mark; the Maas-tricht Treaty was imposed; the unbeloved euro was accepted. And then, in the Spring of '91, the second big shock happened, with the assassination of [Detlev] Rohwedder, who had just come to the conclusion that the privatization policy in the D.D.R. would have unacceptable social consequences. So, anyway, he was replaced by Birgitt Breuel, and what was the result, was the complete destruction of the industrial capacities of the new state.

And then, the 14 years of economic devastation occurred. As a result, you have 1.5 million people less. The young people went to the West. And you have, in the so-called new states, many smaller cities and villages, where the average age of the people is 60 years old. Now, you can imagine, what future does a place have, where the average age of the population is 60 years?

The System Is Coming Down, Again

And this is why the people responded to the Monday demonstrations. It was not only Hartz IV, but it was because of the fundamental sense of injustice of what had happened. Bundestag President [Wolfgang] Tierse noted that justice was, and is, a much more important value in the East than in the West. And that is true, and that is a big obstacle for those people who are trying to eliminate the social welfare state.

So, 14 years of feeling of being a second-class citizen, and the vague sense, which we made more conscious, that the second system is coming down. Now, shortly before the election, our not-so-smart President Horst Köhler gave an interview to *Focus* magazine. And *Focus* asked him, is it true that, in Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, there will be never again industrialization? And he says, "Well, you know, one has to get used to the fact that there are big differences, and whoever wants to equalize them, and put the state based on subsidies into concrete stone, will just worsen the problem. People have to choose from now on, between professional goals and life in your home region. If you want to live in your *Heimat*, you have to be poor. If you want to have a professional career, you have to be flexible."

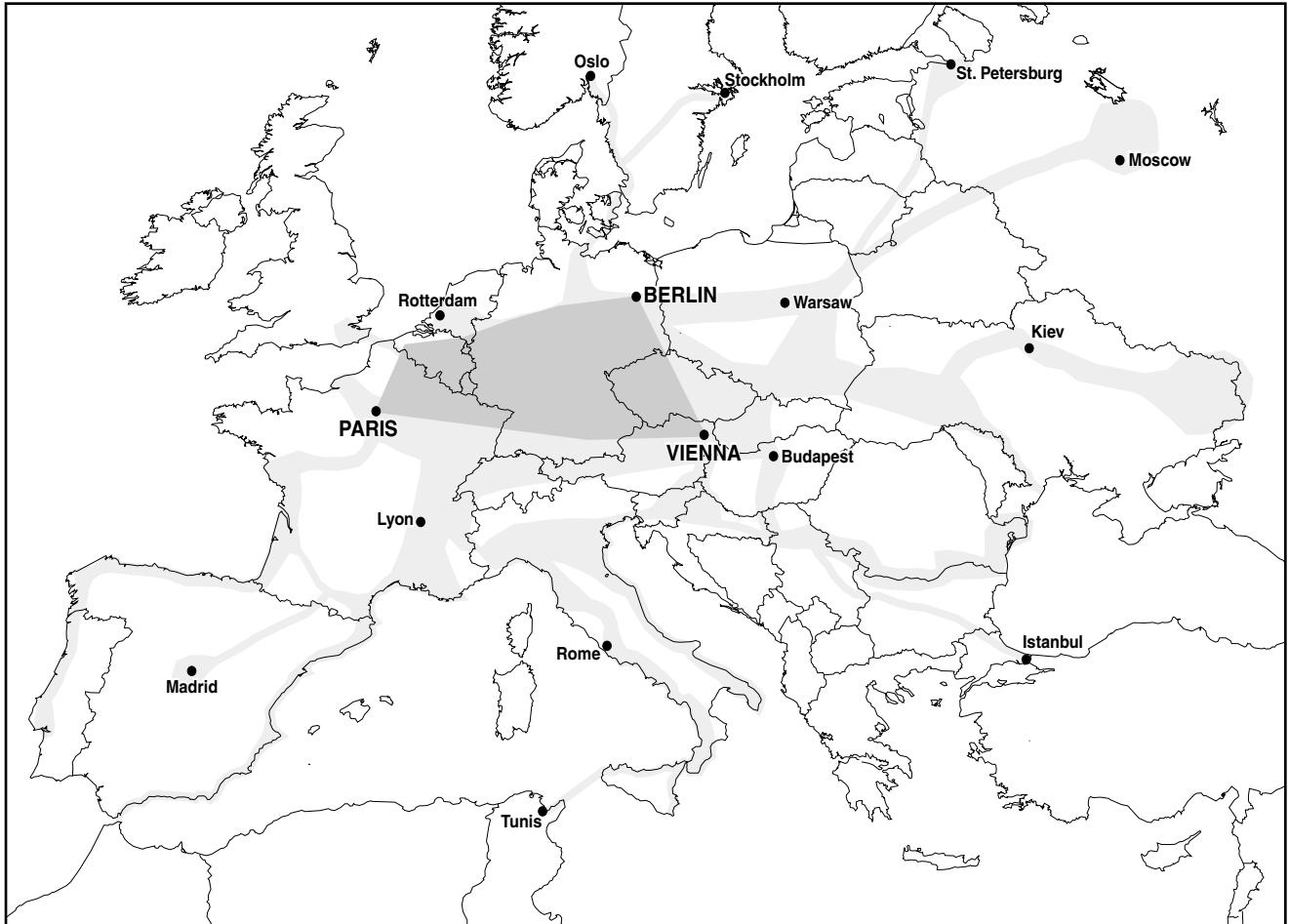
So, de facto, no hope for the East, because if you have all villages of average population of 60 year olds, and that is supposed to remain like that, soon the population will be 70 average, 80 average, and then the last 102-year-old person will die and then that's the end of the village. So, that's essentially the message of Köhler.

A wave of complete outrage was the result.

Well, I will tell Mr. Köhler, at this moment, that he is totally wrong. He's not only politically stupid, because to say such a thing, even for a normal politician, is pretty stupid, but he's wrong! We will change it. He will go down in history as wrong, as Honecker, with his famous "*Ochs und Esel*" story.

So, the result of it was, that in Saxony, the BüSo made a

The Paris-Berlin-Vienna Productive Triangle



The LaRouche movement issued its plan for a Paris-Berlin-Vienna Productive Triangle soon after the Berlin Wall came down, in order to create a core of high-technology development which could revive the tattered economy of all Europe. “Spiral arms” would then radiate into Asia, Africa, and the Mideast. The plan later developed into LaRouche’s conception of the Eurasian Land-Bridge.

breakthrough, which is good. Not so good, is the fact that the SPD went to a one-digit result, and that the NPD [National Democratic Party] almost got the same thing. And there is a real danger from the NPD, don’t kid yourself. This is a very evil synarchist, fascist-leaning operation.

The Danger of Fascism Today

But the real danger of fascism, does not come only from the NPD. The real danger of a new fascism comes from the Synarchist International forces, and they operate right now on two levels, implementing, or trying to implement radical, neo-con, neo-liberal economic schemes: The first level, and this is very important—also answering our young French friend from yesterday, coming through the European Union Commission structure; and coming secondly, through the pri-

vate think-tanks and consulting agencies. Various European Union-imposed policies, they are proposing right now with these policies, they de facto admit that the member-states of the European Union *cannot* fulfill the Stability Pact criteria of the Maastricht Treaty.

But, if you look at the new Commissioners which have just been appointed to the European Commission, they are all radical neo-con neo-liberals. And I can assure you, that Lyn is absolutely right with his attack on the European Union structure, because, as long as these people have a say over the economy of Germany, of France, of Italy, and all these other European countries, there will be no recovery.

For example, the Dutch Neelie Kroes, who is the Commissioner in charge of competition; the Irish Charlie McGreevy, who is responsible for the European interior markets; and



A European Council meeting in Brussels. The new Commissioners of the European Commission are all radical neo-cons or neo-liberals! "As long as these people have a say over the economy of Germany, of France, of Italy, and all these other European countries, there will be no recovery."

above all, the European Commission chief José Manuel Barroso, they are all for absolutely radical free-market policies.

Now, all of these policies which are now hitting the different European countries, are the result of a policy decision made in the European Union already in 1990, with the so-called European employment strategy, which demanded changes in the labor market, to be defined at a European Union level. This was followed then, in 2000, by a coordination of the social security and health plans, and Holland and Denmark, which were the first countries to impose these policies, were praised and trotted around all over Europe, as "models." For example: The Dutch Prime Minister went to a big conference of the Social Democrats portraying the Dutch model as an example.

So, the Agenda 2010, that which is the official Schröder Red-Green coalition policy, is only the German contribution to this European employment strategy. So, at the Treaty of Nice, the European Union added the modernization of social security, as a separate goal for the European Union.

Now, all of this means stealing the welfare out of the pockets of the people. Because, what happened? The Riester plan, the idea that state pensions are no longer safe, and therefore people have to get a private pension plan, the so-called *Riester rente*—well, which now they're losing, because if you have a *Riester rente*, Hartz IV will eat that away before you get any money; so it's a complete swindle on top of everything else—all of this is nothing but the fulfillment of the German obligation in the process of changes in the social laws in the European Union, the "harmonization of European laws."

Well, there is also a private aspect to it, because the European Union Commission works extremely closely, hand in hand, with the Bilderbergers and, for example, such institu-

tions as RAND Europe. The RAND Corp. in Europe wrote, that they have a close cooperation with the European Union, especially in those areas where they have the greatest leverage: infrastructure, transport, environment, health, peace, security, defense, information, telecommunications—well, almost nothing left out. And, if you then look at the board of RAND Europe, who is sitting in the corporation? It's the ex-board members and ex-chief executive officers of such firms as Unilever, Royal Dutch Shell; and they are working with such consulting firms as Abels and Grey.

If you want to have a real target, who are the evil ones, here you have one: Abels and Grey, because they are financing and sponsoring the neo-con movement in Germany. And I can only advise you, look for similar things in the other countries, because I only focus now on Germany.

RAND Europe's stated goal, is to help "the European governments and other clients to manage the sweeping changes they face" and to use the international experiences, especially those of the United States. Now, what that means, you can see in the United States HMOs, means that the poor have no health insurance whatsoever—and there are many poor in the United States, I think more than 40 million. They [RAND Europe] want to help to redefine what should be the role of the state, what should be left to the markets and to private entities. They want to define what are the basic health-care benefits, and how to deal with the consequences of the aging of the European populations. Now that notion, "the aging of the European populations," is the two-by-four which will be used to smash any resistance, with the so-called argument that the changing demographic picture means that we cannot afford any more social welfare, and that, basically, every social security cut will be legitimized by this

“aging” question.

Now RAND also wants to decide what changes should occur in the provision of health care, housing, pensions, social environment, and what other changes the shifting demographic picture will require, and how to pay for these changes. They want to promote flexibility of the labor markets within the European Union, which means if you want to work in the job you want to work in, well, then you may have to move to Sweden or to Portugal, and if you want to stay home, then you have to accept to be poor.

Now, this is overlapping then, with another outfit, called “Citizens Convention.” And this is really something we have to make people aware of, because the new fascism does not come from already visible new Hitler figures. It comes from these kinds of private firms, who, de facto, mean a return to feudalism. Because, if you eliminate the role of the state, as the only force which can guarantee the living standard of the population in a crisis, and everything is privatized, you are going back to feudalism! And it doesn’t make a difference if it’s George Soros, or Baron Something-or-Other, the mechanism of privatization is the same.

Now, this Bürger Konvent, Citizens Convention, is sponsored very much, very massively with money. They get in one year about EU 6 million, and they mobilize against the social welfare state, against the trade unions—less state. Their top manager is this already mentioned Meinhard Miegel. But other people who are sitting in there, are Ralf Dahrendorf, ex-BDI chief Hans-Olaf Henkel, Roland Berger, Otto Graf Lambsdorff, Peter Glotz, Rupert Scholz, ex-BMW head Eberhard von Kuenheim, and their main PR firm is Abels and Grey, which again is linked closely to RAND Corp. and the neo-cons in the United States.

Then, another such outfit is Initiative New Social Market Economy (INSM), who are de facto, a platform for all who want to smash the social welfare state. They’re financed by the European employers association, the metal and electro-industries, and other large industrial associations. On their *Kuratorium* is sitting at the head [Hans] Tietmeyer, the ex-head of the Bundesbank, and I’ll give you one quote from Tietmeyer about the “social market economy.” He says, “The bureaucratic state suffocates the economy and society like a gigantic Leviathan.” And then, in a very glossy brochure, he writes, “The state is a greedy grasshopper, a locust eating everything up.”

Now, this guy Tietmeyer is—and it is unbelievable—he is on the Papal Academy of Sciences, advising the Pope and the Curia on social questions. And I know from the direct history, when this Papal Academy of Sciences was founded, there were several Cardinals who wanted that Lyn should be on that Academy, and it was through the influence of such people [as Tietmeyer] that this did not happen. And if you look at the problems of the Church today, why they are in such a tragic situation, here you have one of the reasons.

Now Clement, our Economic Minister, was an ambassador of this INSM. Cardinal Lehmann, our great head of the Catholic Church in Germany, is giving lectures on the subject. And in the Kuratorium there are other people: Prof. Michael Hüther, from the Institute of German Economy in Cologne; Martin Kannegiesser, president of the Metal Employers Association; Oswald Metzger from the Greenies. And, among the “ambassadors” so-called, are, among others, Dr. Hans Barbier, the worst economic journalist you have ever seen. He writes occasionally in the *FAZ* [*Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung*], and every time he does it, I have real problems with my stomach. He is the chairman of the Ludwig Erhard Foundation. And, Prof. Arnulf Baring, about whom I’m going to say a couple of more words later. Prof. Roland Berger, he’s everywhere, he’s one of these wheelers and dealers. Peter Glotz; Dr. Silvana Koch, from the FDP [Free Democratic Party]; Christina Scheel, who has a strange private life; Lothar Späth. Supporters are: Florian Gerster from the ex-Bundesanstalt für Arbeit.

Then, you have another convention, and they’re all overlapping: the Konvent für Deutschland, the Convention for Germany, headed by Roman Herzog. Then, in it are: Klaus von Dohnanyi; Roland Berger, again; Hans-Olaf Henkel; Peter Glotz, again; Otto Graf Lambsdorff, again; Oswald Metzger; Prof. Manfred Pohl; Prof. Rupert Scholz; Dr. Henning Voscherau; Dr. Monika Wulf-Mathies.

Now, if you want to know why Germany is in trouble, it is the ideology of these kinds of people who have contributed in a major way, to cause the paradigm shift, from a society of producers to a society of consumers; from a social market economy to a neo-liberal economy; to a philosophy of the survival of the fittest. And one characteristic of these people, is they employ the tactic of the Big Lie, exactly like the father of the neo-cons in the United States, Leo Strauss. Their specialty is renaming the values: Just turn things into their opposite.

They are the masters of Orwellian double-speak. For example, they say: The welfare state is in reality asocial and against solidarity. Instead of beneficial behavior for society, organized redistribution has been elevated to be the principle of the social idea. I mean, if you want to hear real double-speak, here you have it. Or: social is what creates jobs—hmm? This is what Schröder is now repeating. It’s an endless stream of sophist lines, which are all a cover story for the elimination of the *social* in the social market economy.

These people appear in different clothing, different shades, but all are really guided by the synarchist principle: whenever there is a financial collapse, make sure, no government, no politician is on the side of the common good, but on the side of the banks.

Now, let’s look at one specimen of this group, one of the so-called “ambassadors” of the INSM, Arnulf Baring. In the ZDF “Nachtstudio,” last November, without a big scandal,

this man could praise the enthusiasm of Hitler, who could mobilize the population for his regime. And Baring said, if he could only mobilize a percentage of this enthusiasm in Germany today, all our problems would be solved.

There was no outcry!

In *Stern* magazine, he could say, Hitler would have given the people such an *élan* and energy, and that the big problem was that that energy was totally lacking today.

Then, on Nov. 19, 2002, he wrote in *FAZ*, the famous article, “Citizens to the Barricades,” where he called for an upheaval against the established party system, because of the social welfare component, and then regretted that the German Constitution of 1949 does not have an Article 48, giving the possibility for a *Präsidentiale Notverordnung* [decree by the President], emergency laws, and saying that our *Bundesverfassung* [Federal Constitution] is preventing an energetic consolidation of Germany. So, openly *verfassungfeindlich*, trying to change the Constitution, he is basically proposing a democratic dictatorship, the elimination of the federal structure of Germany.

Now, on the one side, this has to be taken very seriously. Because Arnulf Baring is just the loud mouthpiece for this whole current. But it also has a funny side, which we should not miss. Because, when he says the citizens should go on the barricades, he is appealing to the neo-liberal “schicki-mickis,” the BMW Cabriolet drivers, the three-piece-suit-wearing investment bankers, and the lifestyle set . . . to go on the barricades?! Now, they’d rather eat caviar and eat oysters, than go on the barricades, and then they proclaim the tradition of Monday demonstrations from ’89. So, he’s a little bit off.

And the developments of the last two and a half months, have shown that it is not schicki-mickis who go on the barricades, but it is the have-nots, who go on the streets.

The Economic Emergency Laws

But then, there is a reality to this whole question. There is the decree about the guarantee of services in the area of commercial economy by the government, the so-called *Verordnung über die Sicherstellung von Leistungen auf dem Gebiet der gewerblichen Wirtschaftssicherstellungsverordnung*, which is an addition to the emergency laws from Oct. 10, 1968, which has been changed through a decree from Nov. 25, 2003; and this has now been updated by the German government on Aug. 12, 2004. And it has been signed by Schröder and by Clement, and it has been agreed to by the Bundesrat, so this is now completely there.

When we tried to investigate this, because this was done in great secrecy, it was played down, that it was only the leveling of existing law, routine, and so forth.

Now, this *Wirtschaftssicherstellungsverordnung* can be used for the good of the people in case of emergency, because the government can oblige firms to keep the economy going.

So it could be good, if the philosophy behind it is what Lyn has called “the people first” policy. But I think we would be very foolish, if we would sleep and be dormant that this is all going to be for the good: Because, remember that Hartz IV has been implemented by a Red-Green Social Democratic-Green coalition! Which is not for the people, it’s for the banks! And the Herzog Commission which Merkel is using, is much worse.

The Fascist Tradition of Carl Schmitt

In addition, we must be extremely alert, that in Germany, as well as in Europe, and in the United States, the tradition of Carl Schmitt is very alive. Carl Schmitt today is not regarded as a Nazi legal person, but he’s *salonfähig*, he’s rehabilitated. In all the universities, he’s being taught. And Carl Schmitt, like Leo Strauss, has the philosophy, “might makes right.” Might is not legitimized through higher values and norms, according to him—like natural law, or the common good—but power is legitimized because *it is*. That’s the argument of Thrasymachus in the dialogue with Socrates, who says the power of the government is only legitimate when it is devoted to the common good. And Thrasymachus says: No, to have the power is what counts.

Now, Carl Schmitt became a complete open admirer of the Nazi system and an integral part of it, after ’33. And he then pronounced the infamous sentence, “‘Sovereign’ is he who determines the state of emergency. Only in a serious emergency, would the problem of sovereignty even emerge.”

Now, Schmitt also developed such notions—and here, if you want to know what fascism is, you have to look at these ideas, because they are the underlying axioms of the danger of fascism: Such notions as the notion of equality, which includes 1) homogeneity, and 2) the elimination of heterogeneity; and that then concretely means the control of immigration. Now, if you want to look at what the arguments of the NPD, well, here you have it. Schmitt argues, that it is reconcilable with democracy to exclude strangers [foreigners] from access to power and wealth; and then, Schmitt also praises Italian Fascism, and Bolshevism, as far superior systems to the liberal parliamentarianism.

Now comes a very important point: Schmitt refuses to find a common basis of discussion with the enemy. This is a hard-core essence of fascism, because it is the idea that the world is forever divided into friends and enemies, exactly what later, Leo Strauss was arguing, in the tradition of Carl Schmitt. Schmitt is completely against any non-violent solutions to existential conflict. The notion of homogeneity allows for the destruction of groups that have been declared to be the enemy, like Jews, Gypsies, Communists, Social Democrats.

So, the basic problem is, that for Schmitt, all the other political theories are based on the idea of . . . the original sin,

you know, man is now evil. . . . The good would eliminate specific political consequences, and since he wants to stick to these consequences, he declares man to be evil. Naturally, one result of this thinking is that war is a legitimate means to settle conflict.

Now, in the middle of the '80s, a big scandal erupted in the German universities about a thesis by a certain Ellen Kennedy who made the explicit challenge that the Frankfurt School took some of their essential argumentation from Carl Schmitt. Namely, Horkheimer, Walter Benjamin, Jürgen Habermas, they all would have taken the arguments of Schmitt. This caused a gigantic freakout. Habermas said that he completely refuses to be a "left Schmittian," and so forth.

However, if one then looks more closely, what does Habermas say about the future development of social welfare, the social welfare state? Well, he says, this has very narrow limits. The ability for intervention by the state is limited, constrained by the rules of the free-market economy, and of the free-market economic system. The market economic system must not be touched. Therefore, the right to work is not possible, because of the private ownership of the means of production. Therefore, social policy by the state is increasingly counterproductive, and the effort to maintain the status quo is very problematic, because previous political and social bases are no longer there.

Therefore, if you look at the quintessence of what the Frankfurt School is actually saying—abandon the social state—and *they are* the left version of the neo-cons. You can actually prove it, by looking at their works very closely.

Now, where does Habermas see the potential to overcome the crisis of the social state? Well, since he's left, supposedly, it's not the power, like Schmitt says, nor the money, but, in a so-called third group of dissidents who are critical of the idea of growth. Now, these are the left-Greenies, all people who are against growth.

The Congress for Cultural Freedom

In the *Children of Satan III* pamphlet, we published the story, which I only want to reference here, of how the Congress for Cultural Freedom and the Frankfurt School were tools by the neo-con predecessors in the United States, in their role of the re-education in Germany after 1945, and the general cultural warfare project, to make sure that never again, an FDR, being for the social welfare state, would emerge in a depression, and act in the interest of the people, and for common good, against the interests of Wall Street and the financial institutions.

Now remember, this is a very important thing, because people—with the Big Lie—they get confused about all of these things. The real purpose, and the real dividing line, is, are people for the common good, are they for the people, or are they for the banks? And that is what this whole project was all about: That all of these operations were designed to

uproot the traditions in the people, which enabled them to give themselves a government in the tradition of the common good.

Now, in 1967, a scandal erupted pretty widely in the academic world, which exposed the CIA sponsorship of the Congress for Cultural Freedom, as one of the most daring and effective covert operations of cultural warfare. And it is amazing how little consequences have been drawn out of this: that all of these projects were actually cultural covert warfare operations.

We are going to change this. Because if you don't understand this history of subversion, we will never be able to give Europe its soul back. Much has been reported in the *Children of Satan III* pamphlet, but let me tell you one aspect, to shed a little bit more light about this right-left nature of the enemies of the social welfare state: In March '48, in the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York, there was a conference of 800 prominent artists and literary figures, demanding peace with the Soviet Union. And obviously, they were pro-Communist, but they were also in the milieu which Lyn described, which he met when he came back from the Second World War, from Burma and India, how the environment had capitulated to the Truman regime. It was a reaction against the Truman military-utopian faction that had unfortunately replaced Franklin D. Roosevelt. Among the participants of this conference, were such people as Arthur Miller, Norman Mailer, and they all made a protest against the U.S. war-mongering. David Shostakovich said, a small clique of hate-mongers are preparing for global conflagration, and urged the artists to fight against the new fascists who were seeking world domination. Remember, this had just happened after Hiroshima and Nagasaki. The now-famous playwright Clifford Odets denounced at this conference, the enemies of man, and claimed that the United States had been agitated into a state of holy terror by fraudulent reports of Soviet aggression. This was referring to the tactic of the Inquisition, described by de Maistre and others, using terror as the aim of political politics. Others warned that the policies of the American government at that time, would inevitably lead to World War III.

Ten years earlier, the philosophy professor Sidney Hook, an ex-Communist, and his mentor John Dewey, of fame for pragmatic education reforms—also in Germany, after the Second World War—had founded the Committee for Cultural Freedom. Now, Hook organized a similar committee to arrest this peace conference in the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, and he called this Americans for Intellectual Freedom. Now, in Washington, Frank Wisner, from the Office of Policy Coordination, which was the covert CIA operation for cultural warfare, decided to incorporate this group into their covert operations to counter the Soviet peace offensive, and to eliminate the moral basis for any FDR recurrence.

So, what became part of the Congress for Cultural Free-



The children of the Frankfurt School and the Congress for Cultural Freedom: The radical-ecologist and terrorist movement in Germany is dedicated to destruction of the social state and the industrial potential of the nation. Their Green ideology is the left-wing version of Nazi jurist Carl Schmitt's fascism.

dom, together with the Frankfurt School project, was the idea to cut the populations of Europe and the United States off from its tradition in Classical culture.

How LaRouche Intervened

Twenty-one years later, Lyn had already developed the first Labor Committee organization on U.S. campuses, against the rock-drug-sex counterculture, which was one of the projects of this CCF. There was the famous debate between Lyn and Abba Lerner, where Lyn got Lerner to admit: If the policies of [Nazi Economics Minister] Hjalmar Schacht had been adopted in the 1930s, Adolf Hitler “would not have been necessary.” Now, that is an unbelievable admission! The idea is basically, if you accept Hjalmar Schacht, if you accept to die without resistance, then we don’t need new Hitlers. Let the Social Democracy implement Schacht, and you will have an easier time to die.

And there was a big freakout, because after the debate between Lyn and Lerner, it was the same Sidney Hook who told some of the Labor Committee members: “Your man is obviously a potentially very capable adversary. But we won’t let him become this. We will never again debate him on the issues. We will just slander him.”

And that has been the line since more than 30 years.

In 1976, Kathy Wolfe had a meeting with Canon West in New York, who was then the head of the Episcopal Church in New York. And he said: We will not discuss content with you; we will deploy the ADL against you and label you anti-Semitic. Then Kathy Wolfe said, “Hey, but I’m Jewish!” And Canon West said, “What does this matter?”

So, but as Lincoln said, you can lie to some people all the

time; all the people some of the time; but you can not lie to all of the people all of the time.

The Lies of Globalization

And I am telling you, that the time of the Big Lie is over. And those lies which are outdated are:

- There is no alternative to globalization—Big Lie #1.
- The state cannot create jobs—Big Lie #2.
- The social state is unjust—Big Lie #3.

This is all complete garbage, because, as I said, globalization is as bankrupt as the D.D.R. was in October ’89. And the reason why the political ferment in the East is bigger than in the West of Germany, is because people had these experiences, what it means when the system collapses. And I already said in 1990: If the mistake would be made to superimpose on the bankrupt Communist system, the equally bankrupt free-market system, then in a few years, it will come to an even greater collapse.

Now, what is the consequences of this? Well, it means that since the bankrupt system of the planned economy had to go, now, the new dogmas of the Venetian oligarchy—free trade, free market, globalization—*have to go!* There will be no recovery unless that happens. And that means that the so-called Stability Pact of the Maastricht Treaty has to be frozen, *or there is no way out of this crisis.*

Now, if you ask today one of the few, still-thinking Social Democrats, why is the SPD destroying itself? Why is the SPD leadership imposing policies which they cannot survive? Why don’t they go with the Lautenbach Plan, the Woytinsky-Tarnow-Baade Plan, which in the ’30s was advocated by the Allgemeine Deutsche Gewerkschaftsbund, then this leading

Social Democrat says: “Well, they could have done it then. But, today, we cannot do it. We have the European Commission; we have the European Central Bank. . . .”

Well, therefore, I’m telling you: If we want to get out of this crisis, the sacred cow of the European Union Commission has to go, and we have to return, in Europe, to a de Gaulle conception of a Europe of the Fatherlands. If you want to have 8 million jobs, EU 200 billion investment per year, well then, these structures have to be changed, and they have to be replaced.

A Real Unification

And in that sense, I’m telling you, the real unification of Germany begins now. In this crisis, exactly the opposite of what Horst Köhler is saying has to occur. The West will not remain different forever, but we have to go for a real re-industrialization of the East. This could be started on a national sovereign basis, already, with such projects as we have used in the Saxon campaign, with the Sachsen-Magistrale [Saxony Railway] and other infrastructure development projects. We have to get new, vanguard industries in the East German states, not just auto and information technologies, but we need new technologies, new industries in the East.

The real solution, obviously, will only occur in a European context, with the Productive Triangle as a part of the Eurasian Land-Bridge. And we will build, on the success in Saxony, to basically propose for the next upcoming elections, similar reconstruction programs, like for the upcoming state parliament election in North Rhine-Westphalia, where we will have a program for reconstruction, proposing very early in the campaign a roundtable, above the parties, to get people into a fighting mood of resistance.

But the real unification of Germany is not only an economic question. What is needed is the cultural unification of Germany. And why did it not function so far? We have to take into account that the D.D.R. was part of the Comecon, under the control of the Soviet Union, and the B.R.D., West Germany, was an occupied country under the rule of NATO, and the Anglo-Americans. And these two blocs had tremendous differences.

Let’s look at some of these differences: In the East, there was the role of the individual in society, much, much downplayed. You had collectivism. You had the “objective process of development of history”; “histomat,” historical materialism; “diamat,” dialectical materialism; objective processes determine history—no role of the world-historical individual, not even Lenin’s voluntarism, but “objective processes.” Atheism: In atheism, the image of man, obviously, cannot be in the image of God, and that is a big problem, because if you don’t have that as the basis for the dignity of man, then everything is really in trouble.

Now, if Karl Marx would have stayed in Trier, everything would have been fine. Because, when he was in Trier, he actually was influenced by the ideas of the American Revolu-

tion, of the humanism of his father, and the problem only started when he went away to Bonn, and other places; became a Young Hegelian, met Engels; and later, in London, got from David Urquhart, who was the librarian at the British Museum, the wrong economic data about the state of capitalism, and that led him to agreement with Adam Smith and rejection of Friedrich List.

Now, in the D.D.R., on the positive side, you had a very big emphasis on science, on Classical culture, the tradition of Bach was very strong. Even if, in certain areas, you had a “spin,” where the interpretation of these Classical works would be Jacobin, and you had a very strong influence of Bertolt Brecht. But, for example, if you went to Weimar, end of 1989/beginning of ’90, it was much better, and in much better shape than today! In the beautiful Schillerhaus, there was, on the side, the museum, where there was a fantastic pedagogical representation of the work and life of Schiller—which they immediately threw out, then when the unification had occurred.

Then, in the West of Germany, totally different social process: You had the occupying powers, which unfortunately were not influenced by Franklin D. Roosevelt, but by Truman and [John J.] McCloy. The re-education of West Germany took place with the influence of the neo-cons. In the ’50s, the West German development was still relatively OK. You had the remnants of Humboldt in the education system. You had the reconstruction, after the Second World War, which led to the fantastic “German economic miracle.” But then, a much worse destruction came, with the second wave of the Frankfurt School, and the takeover of the ’68ers, the counterculture, the Brandt reforms, which eliminated Humboldt, the implementation of the ecology movement.

Now, in the East, you also had certain ecological influences, in the form of the Club of Rome, IIASA [International Institute of Applied Systems Analysis], but it was much less than in the West, where a real mass movement, namely the Greenies, were developed out of this.

Now the irony which I found during the Saxony campaign, that, in Saxony, you find a lot of very good people—lovable people, who are mentally much more healthy than the average person in the West. And I thought: Why is this? What is so special about the Saxon people. And I realized, maybe one of the reasons was that they were in the “*Tal der Ahnungslösen*” and they didn’t listen to so much Western radio all the time, and therefore their minds were less polluted. They were living the Valley of the Clueless!

So, the problem with the unification, is, therefore—and one cannot ignore these different social processes if we want to remedy the problem: It was not only the economic devastation, the economic *Kahlschlag* [social demolition], but also the cultural rot, which was introduced in the East after the unification. In Weimar, the Schiller museum was dismantled, and instead of praising the Classical tradition, they celebrated Nietzsche! And what did Nietzsche do for Weimar, other than

to die there of syphilis! That's not a very great contribution.

So, what they did otherwise, was to reduce the number of orchestras, to reduce the number of theaters. And what was the first big cultural contribution from the West to the East? Video shops! The first buildings which got restored, were the ones in which the banks and insurance companies moved.

So they imposed Western systems of bureaucracy, and then, the Western bureaucrats then on top, were given the so-called *Buschzulage*, the "jungle bonus." You know, the idea that if you go to the jungle, you get more money, because it's such a terrible imposition. So, they added insult to injury.

Look what they let happen with the beautiful Anna Amalia Library in Weimar: This is a cultural good which is unique! Books from the Classical period! The thinking of the people from the Classic—and they let it burn down! Why? Because they were too chintzy to pay for better electrical wiring, so a *Schwelbrand*, a slow fire, because the wiring was too old could happen—and, but for the courageous action of some people who stormed into the building in flames, these books would have all been lost, and many have been lost.

So, a lot of injustice and a lot of things have happened. But now, something else is in motion. It is true: There was no American Revolution in Europe, ever, and that is a thing we have to remedy. But, as I said, in '89 it *was* a peaceful revolution, and the people in the East did it. Maybe it was only tens of thousands of people, which eventually led to a demonstration of 1 million—but they did it.

And something even more promising started with the Saxony campaign now, and with the Monday demonstrations: Because within the '89 process, the big problem was that the civil rights movement, at that point, did not have any concept of physical economy. And all the groups, as a result, were dismantled or taken over. Since we were in the middle of this process, we saw what happened: Graf Lambsdorff, from Mont Pelerin, and other neo-con/neo-liberal fame, just went to the *Blockpartei* [in the former D.D.R., the Blockparteien were not part of the ruling Socialist Unity Party, but built an electoral pact with it], the FDP, and pulled out his check, and said, "You will be the chairman, and not you. And since I have the money, I will determine it." So, it was a complete, brutal takeover. And this led to the frustration of the people, which then erupted.

Today, we have the opposite in the Monday demonstration: We have a total vacuum and all the groups who try to take over, have actually no idea what to make out of these demonstrations. We are the only ones who have these ideas, both in respect to the economy, as well as in respect to the culture.

Revive Classical Culture

Therefore, how do we unify Germany, really? How do we overcome the differences, which are the result of the two Germanys having belonged for half a century to two different blocs? Well, the *only* way, it can be done, is through the



Statue of Goethe and Schiller in front of the theater in Weimar, in eastern Germany. "The only way we can give Germany back its soul, is through Classical culture."

tradition of the real German culture: the Classical culture. The *only* way we can give Germany back its soul, is through Classical culture. You saw the power of singing: What *Jesu meine Freude, Freude schöne Götterfunken, Die Gedanken sind frei*—which was *the* resistance song, not only in the D.D.R., but in Germany for a long time—why it worked: The reason why it worked, is that this music goes to the soul. And as Lyn said yesterday, it all of a sudden hits the unsuspecting audience: People who come from the shopping mall, who are in the *Ausverkauf* mania, who are in a totally unsuspecting mind-set—they are suddenly hit with the genius of Classical art. The music that is beautiful, that is not entertaining but that goes to the heart, which is uplifting. Why is it uplifting? Because Classical music, the work of a Classical composer, touches those faculties of the mind, which are the creative ones. And therefore it transforms people on the spot, into people who are better people. And therefore, it is a very difficult weapon for the enemy to deal with.

Well, the establishment in Germany has started right now a big campaign of soul-searching, and they all of a sudden

discovered . . . Alexander von Humboldt, the last universal thinker! The writer of *Cosmos*. There's a huge propaganda campaign—OK, fine. It's a good thing.

But we add Wilhelm von Humboldt, because Wilhelm von Humboldt was the one who proposed universal education, with the specific aim for the beautiful character. The aim of education is not facts and knowledge, and just numbers, and things, but to become a beautiful soul, in the tradition of Schiller. And that is exactly what the LaRouche Youth Movement is all about: to add universal education for every child, and every young person, in Germany, in Europe, and in the world in general.

We have to rediscover the great original discoveries in science and art. We will revive Nicolaus of Cusa, Kepler, Leibniz, Kästner, Gauss, Riemann, Bach, Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, Schubert, Schumann, Lessing, Mendelssohn, Schiller, just to name a few. Well, the German Classical tradition is so rich, and all we have to do is to revive it. If we make these great minds alive in ourselves, that we are them, that they have living spirit in our minds—well, then we have a live concept of immortality. We make them immortal in our activity. And if the young people discover the power of Classical art, and build a movement on the ideas of Bach, Schiller, and Beethoven, that is unbeatable. If each youth is educated in universal education, that is the end of oligarchy.

Now, that is not a thing in itself: Because Germany, like the other European countries, has a mission. Portia, who is from Zimbabwe, in the campaign, pointed out again and again, what Germany could mean for her country and for Africa as a whole. And it's true! Germany has no right to self-destruct, because if Germany is destroyed, Africa has no chance. If Germany finds its true roots in science and art, and acts according to the principle of Westphalia, in the interest of the other, then the idea of Nicolaus of Cusa, that *concordantia* can only exist in the macrocosm if the maximum development of all microcosms occurred; which means peace on this planet can only occur, if each nation can develop: Well, that is Germany's true mission. This requires a passionate love for mankind, a love for the idea of the community of peoples. Should Germany be a permanent member of the UN Security Council? Maybe, maybe not.

More important is that the German people develop *love* for mankind, *love* for the other nations, *love* for the community of people. Love for Germany has to *be*, because we have to love ourselves. We have to re-learn to love ourselves. We have to solve this problem of being proud of Germany, but not at the expense of others. Love for Germany as a source of compassion for the other.

And this universal aspect of Classical culture, which is expressed so beautifully in *Freude schöne Götterfunken*, what a *beautiful* poetical idea! The spark of creativity is common to all human beings. This must be the basis for the dialogue of cultures.

“Diesen Kuss der ganzen Welt!” “This kiss for the

whole world.”

“All men become brethren.” *“Alle Menschen werden Brüder.”*

Has this ever been said more beautifully, than by Schiller and Beethoven?

The real unification of Germany, will occur only on this highest level. One beautiful thing which happened in the Saxony campaign is this: Some of the French LYM members discovered the beauty of the German national anthem, which the German LYM members would never have dared to do. But then, the international LaRouche Youth Movement just said, this is a beautiful anthem, so we sing it! And they started to sing it, and it is beautiful, because it is composed by Haydn, and the text is from Heinrich Hoffmann von Fallersleben, and it's a beautiful song. So the people in the Monday demonstration, at the beginning, they were very nervous. “Shall we sing the Deutschland Lied? This is daring. Can we do this? Is this not somehow right-wing extremism?”

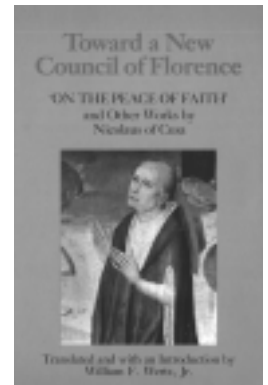
Well, so how do we solve this problem? How can the real unification of Germany happen? Well, by making it the Germany of Leibniz, Haydn, Schiller, and Beethoven. By making clear to the world, that we are there for others. And by asking the other nations to be there for us. That is why, I ask now Portia to do what she has to do. [Applause, as she sings the first line of the national anthem, after which all unite in song.]

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