

## Kissinger Watch by M. T. Upharsin

### Henry's counterattack: has it backfired?

Since the middle of April, Henry Kissinger's attempts to neutralize the influence of *EIR* founder Lyndon LaRouche's March 26 nationwide television address, "Henry A. Kissinger, Soviet Agent of Influence," have resulted in a new round of publicity for LaRouche's devastating exposé.

As reported here two weeks ago, the Kissinger counterattack began with a column placed by his bosom comrade, ex-CIA liberal Tom Braden, in the *Washington Times*. The column, titled, "Newest in Nuts," attempts to ridicule the LaRouche documentary as the product of a lunatic.

At the same time, the left-wing Jesuits who run the support movement for Central America's guerrillas organized a violent demonstration outside San Francisco's Commonwealth Club on the occasion of Kissinger's April 16 appearance there.

One apparent purpose of the Jesuit demonstration was to discredit the opposition to Kissinger, the leading light of the Jesuits' Georgetown University, as crazy leftists. The illusion created by the demonstration, in which 150 rock- and marble-throwing dupes of the Jesuits were arrested, was challenged by Evelyn Lantz, a LaRouche Democrat running for Congress. As Henry rose to address the club, Lantz announced, "LaRouche says you are a Soviet agent of influence, you're a Bor [Kissinger's reported code name as an alleged Soviet agent in post-war Germany]; you're trying to get the United States thrown out of Central America and Europe, just like you handed Vietnam and the Mideast to

the Soviets." As she was escorted out, she continued: "You're trying to decouple Europe from the United States—you're a Soviet agent!"

Kissinger attempted to recoup the situation by quipping, "Few people can unify the American people like I can. I have a great constituency of nuts on the left and an equal constituency of nuts on the right." He proceeded to confirm LaRouche's charge against him by announcing, in the face of the greatest Soviet military onslaught since World War II—in the North Sea, the Berlin Corridor, Afghanistan, and Southeast Asia—that the Soviets are on the verge of entering new arms-control negotiations. "Objective factors," he declaimed, "compel the Soviet leadership to reach an accommodation with the United States."

### Tom upbraided

Next, the *Washington Times* began covering reactions to the ill-advised Braden, "Newest in Nuts" column. On April 18, the *Times* published a letter of response from LaRouche himself under the heading, "Is Henry Kissinger a Soviet 'Agent of Influence'?" After summarizing the content of his historic television address as a report on the role of Kissinger in implementing policies negotiated by the late Lord Bertrand Russell and Russell's accomplices with Nikita Khrushchev, LaRouche pointed out that Braden, as a "high-ranking" official under CIA Director Allen Dulles "during the period that Mr. Russell's intimate dealings with Mr. Khrushchev were being conducted" could not have been ignorant of the facts "unless Mr. Braden has suffered astonishing memory lapses."

The next day the *Times* published a letter from Michael Pelizzari of Maryland, where LaRouche is competing in the May 8 Democratic presidential primary, titled, "A Vote for LaRouche." Pelizzari reports that the Braden column convinced him to ac-

tively support LaRouche's candidacy because "I have yet to see an independent, reasoned article about Mr. LaRouche's policy proposals. All I see are personal attacks and ridicule of his theories. . . . Until I read some convincing objections against these policies, Mr. LaRouche will get my vote, and my campaign contributions."

### Crybaby won't play any more

On April 19, the *Times* also carried an article titled "Kissinger's Data Held Misconstrued" on statements by Kissinger mouthpiece William Walsh of Georgetown University, a member of the Kissinger Commission on Central America. According to the article, Walsh complained that "various independent news media reports" have distorted "the American public's perception of the findings of the Kissinger Commission." As a result, Walsh whined, "Kissinger will not accept any future assignments because of harassment and threats he faces during public appearances."

Callers to the White House "comment line" demanding that President Reagan oust Kissinger from policy control have begun to receive a new response: "Relax, Dr. Kissinger's only post was as the head of the Central America Commission, and his work is done."

Sources in Washington say Kissinger's "threat" to retire from public life should not be taken as a signal for mass public celebration. Henry is simply using this threat to pressure the Reagan administration to "do something" about LaRouche. Kissinger's crowd points out that this year the Trilateral Commission and the International Monetary Fund have both refused press access to LaRouche publications, following the example of the eminent Dr. K., who last October told an *EIR* correspondent, "You may be accredited to the State Department, but you are not accredited to me."