International figures speak out against political prosecution

Hundreds of international leaders have responded with outrage at the U.S. Department of Justice’s new, politically motivated attempt to destroy the person and influence of Lyndon LaRouche, this time in federal court in Alexandria, Virginia. They have signed the following “Declaration of Honor for Lyndon LaRouche,” which is expected to appear as an advertisement in a number of U.S. and European newspapers, and which has been made available to EIR. A few of these individuals have gone further, issuing personal statements, either in writing or on television, to express their thanks for LaRouche’s contributions in fields ranging from political economy to music, and their outrage to U.S. Attorney General Richard Thornburgh. Excerpts from some of the most notable statements appear below.

Declaration of Honor for Lyndon LaRouche

Again, an unheard of, insane legal action against the independent American presidential candidate Lyndon LaRouche has been put into motion by the American justice system, after legal proceedings in Boston, which had been pursued with enormous efforts, fell flat in the middle of this year. This renewed witchhunt, which is demonstrated to be conducted by Dukakis’s crowd in the U.S. Department of Justice, comes at the high point of the American election campaign and amidst the most dangerous convergence of crises since World War II.

We know Lyndon LaRouche as a man of great personal integrity, who, without any personal ambition and without seeking any personal advantage, has staked all his efforts on the realization of a more human world. He might be characterized as “controversial” only because his outstanding analytical mind—contrary to the currently reigning outlook—decades ago anticipated the coming crises and strategic problems, and proposed solutions to them. The spectrum ranges from his fight against organized drug trafficking, his program to defeat AIDS, his solution to the world food crisis, his resistance against the Russian threat, up to his support for the Western Alliance, SDI, and the solution of the debt crisis.

As an economic scientist, he has fought since 1975 for the creation of a new just world economic order which, since that time, has been recognized as the only concrete possibility to bring economic policy in accordance with Christian morality again. Therefore, in the so-called Third World, his name is a symbol of hope for a life worthy of human beings.

Lyndon LaRouche stands as the unwavering representative of Western civilization. As in the field of natural science, he has made outstanding contributions in defense of classical music, the arts and culture generally.

In the middle of a crisis of such apocalyptic proportions, we cannot tolerate the fact that such a man, whose morality equals his powers of mind, be subjected to dirty tricks aimed at preventing him playing a decisive role in contributing to the solution of this crisis.

Each of us calls personally and energetically on the United States of America, to be worthy of their great tradition as the “temple of liberty” and exercise proper justice. The errant, politically motivated indictment of LaRouche has to be dropped immediately.

Prof. Dr. Norbert Brainin

Prof. Brainin was for many years the first violinist of the Amadeus Quartet, in Great Britain.

I know Lyndon LaRouche to be a man of honor, who would never do anything illegal. This would suggest that the latest indictment of LaRouche is a mistake which would sort itself out eventually, or is one of the most horrible pieces of political machination, that the world has ever seen, bearing in mind the timing just before the American presidential election. I therefore urge you to drop this indictment immediately.

Piero Cappuccilli

Opera singer, from Italy.

To describe Lyndon LaRouche, I can say that he is a courageous man, who has made many initiatives. He is a trustworthy man, who has done much for opera, particularly in his support for Verdi’s standard tuning-pitch, A-432, which is the key to safeguarding voices in the future. In fact, with the present high tuning, singers face serious difficulties, and it’s very important to return to Verdi’s “A.” Verdi was right, and Mr. LaRouche, with his initiative, has also understood how important it is to go back to singing half a step lower.

Mr. LaRouche has a broad-ranging mind, which extends into all fields of knowledge. And I must say that LaRouche is a person who knows what he’s doing. I wish there were more people like him.

Vincenzo Carollo

Former Italian senator and former president of Italy’s Sicilian Region; currently president of the trade agency Italtrade.
In Lyndon LaRouche, I have appreciated the sincerity with which he has always demonstrated that wealth can not be conceived as a means to exploit the weak, but as a force for helping the needy. The more good one does, the more one becomes the bearer of true wealth: social wealth. This is certainly a principle of Christian morality, but also of political humanism.

This is the reason for Lyndon LaRouche’s battles on behalf of the poor countries of the Third World and against the International Monetary Fund’s bureaucratic bankers’ conception, which is neither human nor solidarist. But how can a great power maintain its greatness on the basis of the perpetual poverty of the states of the Third World?

Christian solidarism does not admit this on the moral level, but history itself teaches us that a nation grows and becomes stronger to the degree in which it succeeds in transforming the poor states which ask for charity, into states which are capable of producing—however gradually—wealth, labor, and exchange of goods in the context of international relations.

This is also affirmed by Lyndon LaRouche, and this morally attracts me, too, because for my entire life, I have tried to help people, not in order to exploit and economically market their consensus, but to transform the duties I discharged as President of the Sicilian region and as Senator of the Italian Republic into a service of real social solidarity; but it should be very clear that this sociology is not Marxist socialism, whose essential goal is not the good of the people, but an elitist government over the people.

On the contrary, the power of those who govern must not be more important than man, his freedom, and his development, but ought to be a service for man, for society, and for the people.

Mme. Marie-Madeleine Fourcade

Head of the National Resistance Intelligence Network in France, 1940-45; former member of the European Parliament.

Free elections are unique moments for the debate of ideas in our democracies. In this regard, the United States of America, ally, twice liberator of France, a friend of France I love dearly, is a symbol, a hope for liberty for all peoples. Without interfering in internal American political life, I would like to emphasize the importance in my mind of the contribution made by Mr. Lyndon LaRouche on vital questions of world politics.

I met him five years ago at a conference in Paris, in which I was invited to explain the dark days when tyranny took over Germany and Europe when Hitler seized power in 1933. We of the French Resistance fought the rise of Nazism and totalitarianism from its inception until the defeat of the Third Reich in 1945.

Since that 1983 conference, I have had the opportunity to meet Mr. LaRouche several times, in the course of which he exposed his ideas. His analysis, first of all on defense problems, which are close to my preoccupation, was turned toward the future. His support in favor of the SDI strategic defense is truly shared by myself and co-thinkers in France.

Thus, it is our strong hope that the course of SDI not be changed, for it should not be negotiated. Furthermore, Mr. LaRouche has shown a rare patience on the plague much akin to war, the threat that AIDS means for all mankind. Generous ideas to come to the aid of countries of the Third World, a Marshall Plan for Africa, were ideas he presented to me as an initiator.

The great causes, the struggle for freedom against tyranny, the fight for a peace through strength, the commitment to aid nations and peoples facing economic crisis, are the causes of our time—the life of every day. Next year, we will celebrate in France the bicentennial of the French Revolution and the Universal Declarations of the Rights of Man (and women). I, who fought so long to re-establish freedom and democracy in my country, believe strongly that Mr. Lyndon LaRouche’s contribution to democratic debate is needed by everyone today, and by each one of us.

Rosemarie Love

Commissioner of Cook County (Chicago), Illinois.

It is unfair that with the economic problems of this country, here we have an American economist who has not been allowed to enjoy the fruits of the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution. The contradiction of this denial and the present administration’s waving the American flag is striking. What is there to fear in having an American economist, capable and willing to present and implement the necessary solutions to our nation’s economic problems? When America denies what has been denied to Mr. LaRouche, the very forum to exchange ideas, which we, in America, consider sacred, is violated.

Our government gives Gorbachov more opportunities to enjoy the First Amendment, than one of its own sons, Lyndon LaRouche. It’s absurd to read in the national papers and view on the national news the excitement about how great the Russians are for freeing a couple of whales under ice in Alaska, when we as a world, have very serious problems. I am worried sick that winter is coming and the homeless are still homeless across this nation. The hungry are still hungry!

I therefore call upon the unjust powers causing such pain and agony, not only to Mr. LaRouche but the world as a whole, to return to the principles of this great nation, which are based on the freedom of speech and the freedom to exchange ideas!

Eliane Magnan

Violoncellist, from France, founder of the Lebanon String Quartet, and general secretary of the Commission To Investigate Human Rights Violations.

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wishes to thank those persons, from America and around the world, who have expressed their concern that justice be done in the pending case of Lyndon LaRouche in Alexandria, Virginia. We believe this response, from numerous and high-ranking individuals, is the result of the fact, as we found in hearings held on this matter last year, that Mr. LaRouche represents for many nations, hope for freedom, justice, and development of civilization.

In 1986 and 1987, the Commission conducted a thorough investigation of the LaRouche affair. We found overwhelming evidence that elements in the Justice Department associated with William Weld (and now associated with the campaign of Michael Dukakis), were conducting a "KGB-style witchhunt," at taxpayers' expense, against Mr. LaRouche and his associates. Our findings were corroborated by the jury in Boston, which heard the case U.S. vs. LaRouche, et al. earlier this year. That jury reported to the news media, that, had a mistrial not been declared, they would have voted for acquittal for all defendants on all counts, and had found real evidence of government misconduct in the case.

Now, in what can only be called a most outrageous case of déjà vu, the U.S. Justice Department has presented virtually the same case it just lost in Boston, in a federal court in Alexandria. Such bold disregard for fundamental principles of justice must lead even the most impartial observer to conclude that the government has an ulterior motive in its unrelenting prosecution of LaRouche.

As a Commission, our only power is moral suasion. We therefore call on concerned individuals around the world to investigate this case for yourselves, and then to act, quickly, to ensure that justice is done.

The Commission stands ready to act on behalf of human rights in this case, so that justice be preserved in this nation, which, more than any other on earth, represents freedom of thought for the rest of the world.

Gen. Jean-Gabriel Revault d'Allonnes (ret.)  

From France, a Compagnon de la Libération and president of the Commission to Investigate Human Rights Violations.

Very shocked and surprised at the news of your new indictment, I am convinced that you are the victim of a pure political campaign, without any real legal justification.

The content of this message can be shown to whomever you will judge necessary. With all my very best wishes to the architect of the SDI.

Amelia Robinson  

U.S. civil rights Leader and co-founder of the National Democratic Party, Tuskegee, Alabama.

Having heard of the new round of indictments against our great Lyndon LaRouche, I can only wonder at the treacherous minds of these people above suspicion, who act with impunity against the rights of the many guaranteed by God's laws. Upon hearing of these atrocities against Lyndon LaRouche, I am reminded of my mother, who was a fighter for justice all of her life, such that from the time I became aware of that idea called democracy, I got on the side of justice. My mother often told those who sought to stop her from fighting for justice, "I will fight with all that I've got."

That determination she had to fight is what guided her life. For this reason, among many, I feel so good about Lyndon LaRouche. He is not thinking about party politics, whether it be Democratic Party or Republican, but instead his mind is fixed on justice.

LaRouche knows that at this point in time, the problems that all of humanity is facing are about people. Without people we have no political parties.

Our American politicians and candidates are all fighting over petty matters in the exact same manner that we as children fought in child's play, through the petty environment which is now dominating policy discussions. Without LaRouche, there is no room to talk about valuable solutions to the miseries that we are all facing. Therefore, I feel that throughout this decade, I know of no one who is as much concerned about uplifting humanity as LaRouche and his
lovely wife Helga, who is his right arm. I cannot help but to follow justice. God bless Lyndon LaRouche.

Gen. Paul-Albert Scherer (ret.)

Former chief of the Militärischer Abschirmdienst (MAD), Military Counterintelligence Service, West Germany.

For more than half of my life's 70 years, I have been dealing professionally with problems of strategy, psychology, leadership, and tactics of the psychological and low-intensity warfare which Moscow has been waging on us during a time of ostensible peace, most recently in my capacity as a general and as chief of military counterintelligence in the free part of Germany.

Over the course of my inspection trips and lectures in America and in Europe, I have been increasingly struck by the threat posed by the clouding of perceptions, partial blindness, and even total blindness of many people in the West as a consequence of deliberate Soviet poisoning of Western information sources. Anyone who believes that this has stopped under Gorbachov, and that the Soviet Union is no longer a police state, a slave-state, has lost all sense of reality.

The Soviets' diabolical poisoning of the wells, and their cynical strategy of deception, includes actions to muzzle, slander, criminalize, and eliminate important vanguard thinkers, politicians, economists, and journalists in the West—those idealists who courageously speak out against the communist deception campaign, without regard to their own personal fate. Lyndon LaRouche is one of these top-ranking persons, as many experts have stated. In the global context, the Soviets have classified him as their deadly enemy number one on the KGB's list of Americans alive today.

LaRouche emerged as a dire threat when he developed the idea of the SDI to defend the West, a concept which was adopted by President Reagan in 1983—a dangerous distinction for Mr. LaRouche. Ever since then, a campaign of character assassination has been running against him at full throttle. First he is slandered as a Trotskyist, and then as an arch-fascist, as a neo-Nazi, a crypto-anti-Semite and racist, as a nut-case leading a fool's crusade against the peaceful Soviet Union, and finally as a troublemaker, a parasite, and a tax evader. How easy it is, to infiltrate an organization, in order then to defame it, and, via agents of influence, to play back falsified accusations, incriminating documents, and plausible, fear-arousing rumors to the police, the judicial authorities, and the government apparatus. In Moscow's tactical lexicon this is called murder through disinformation, and the deadly sapping of the victim's energy. We see this happen very often in Germany, and then documents are seized, offices searched, and those under attack are brought to trial. Something is bound to stick—if we are actually dealing with real criminals.

If the accusations leveled against LaRouche were true, we would have to seriously warn people about him. But—and this I know—there is no truth to them. Despite this, a part of the political elite is attempting to shut him up, just as anyone who causes them discomfort is easily spat out, without them having ever actually tested the veracity of the slanders. I say that's unfortunate.

Why am I standing up for LaRouche? Because I have come to know him personally as a far-seeing, highly committed person of unimpeachable integrity, as a policy-maker, and a modest, honest, and deeply religious human being, whose overriding concern is the future of Western civilization. We in Europe depend upon our alliance with America. And Lyndon LaRouche would never let us down.

I decided to become personally acquainted with LaRouche after I had observed how he had built up his private intelligence service, and had ascertained the politically sound conception behind it. He is a man of integrity, a man of freedom, highly cultured, an economic scientist with an almost unparalleled political acumen.

I should also not forget to state, that I am not a member of any LaRouche organization, and am therefore making my judgments completely independently. To sum up: My great concern is that this inhuman Soviet strategy of psychological stupefaction not succeed. Otherwise, we will not be saved. We must not be a collapsing West, as the Soviets would have us be.

John Seale, M.D.

Fellow, Royal Society of Medicine, Great Britain.

It is disconcerting to see what appears to be a highly unusual variety of legal harassment against Mr. LaRouche, the only presidential candidate who has raised the issue of the AIDS crisis in the election campaign. Mr. LaRouche has made great efforts to inform himself and the public of the scientific issues of AIDS—which is perhaps rather more than Dukakis and Bush seem to have done.

The unchecked spread of the AIDS virus in your population is not only a threat to the United States, it is a threat to the security of the entire Western world. It really is about time the politicians faced up to reality.