

British lead the charge for U.N. depopulation onslaught

by Mark Burdman

As the date approaches for the Sept. 5-13 United Nations International Conference on Population and Development in Cairo, Egypt, otherwise known as the Cairo Depopulation Conference or Cairo '94, the political mobilization to build support for the event, in Europe and elsewhere around the world, is being led, not surprisingly, by the British. Great Britain is truly living up to its centuries-old, brutal reputation as the country which spawned the genocidal Parson Thomas Malthus, and which perfected the art of depopulation as the British Empire rampaged over India, Ireland, large parts of Africa, and elsewhere in the world.

The pro-Cairo mobilization is being promoted by both the government and by the British monarchy. The British Overseas Development Administration, headed by senior civil servant Baroness Lynda Chalker, has created a "consultative forum," whereby the various U.N. malthusian non-governmental organizations (NGOs) involved in population issues can provide policy input to shape the British government's official position for Cairo.

Planned Parenthood role is key

The most active and influential of the NGOs is the group Population Concern, which emerged as a separate organization in 1991, after its personnel had served for many years as the "international desk" of the U.K. Family Planning Association. The latter is the U.K. national branch of the London-based International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF). According to Population Concern sources, the IPPF provides the vital organizational "glue" in organizing for Cairo, as it groups under its umbrella approximately 120 "national family planning associations" around the world. It is these associations, in each individual country, which are in the forefront of mobilizing for Cairo.

Population Concern operatives exult that the IPPF/Family Planning apparatus has recently begun to expand in formerly communist eastern Europe. The IPPF, which was founded earlier in this century as an outgrowth of the movement in favor of eugenics in Britain, today receives funding from various European governments, as well as from the United Nations Fund for Population Activities (UNFPA), the U.N. agency coordinating the Cairo event, and the World Bank.

The official patron of Population Concern is Prince Philip, Britain's royal consort. In early spring of this year, he addressed the British House of Commons All-Party Parliamentary Group on Population, eliciting support for the Cairo event. Prince Philip is also international president of the World Wide Fund for Nature (formerly World Wildlife Fund), which has been at the center of the global ecology movement since the early 1960s.

The president of Population Concern is British ecologist David Bellamy. Among its vice presidents are some of the real scoundrels of the British scene. One is Dr. Conor Cruise O'Brien, the Anglo-Irish scribbler who launched the propaganda campaign, beginning in late 1989, to depict the unified Germany as "the Fourth Reich." Earlier, in the mid-1960s, he had been a senior U.N. official during the international Congo crisis.

A second is Prof. Richard Dawkins, a kookish radical Darwinian with a big following in Britain. In the past months, Dawkins has become a spokesman for a British-led "Great Apes Project" that demands that great apes be granted rights equal to those granted to humans; he has argued that there is, in fact, no "species jump" between great apes and humans. In April 1992, Dawkins argued publicly that belief in God is equivalent to a virus. At the time, Lyndon LaRouche re-

sponded, in one of his prison writings, "On the Subject of God," with an incisive polemical attack on Dawkins's freakish philosophy. (See *Fidelio*, Spring 1993.)

A third vice president is Sir Crispin Cervantes Tickell, who now heads a Center on Environmental Policy at Green College, Oxford. Tickell was Great Britain's ambassador to the United Nations as the 1990-91 Persian Gulf war was unfolding. It was he who forged the diplomatic alliance of the U.N. Security Council "Permanent Five," which was crucial in conducting the U.N.'s first war of genocide and depopulation against a sovereign nation. On April 25, 1991, only a couple of months after the military slaughter against the Iraqi population had formally ended (the slaughter has continued down to the present day by other means, via the "U.N. sanctions" regime), Tickell gave a speech at the house of worship of the British royal family, St. George's Chapel, Windsor Castle, where, in the presence of Prince Philip, he warned that present-day civilization would "crash" unless it "reached a well-regulated steady state with population in balance with natural resources." He likened human population growth to the multiplication of microbes.

At Tickell's Green College at Oxford, one of the senior figures is Dr. Norman Myers, an advocate for the Venetian-authored concept of "carrying capacity." Myers claims that the optimal world population, at "current levels of affluence," is around 2 billion people. He is an adviser to the official British "country delegation" for Cairo. He also advises the World Bank, and the White House, State Department, and Pentagon in Washington.

Of British eugenics and Hitler

Another important British NGO is the Marie Stopes International, named after the late Marie Stopes, who died in 1957 after having been the main mover-and-shaker behind the "constructive birth control" movement in Great Britain. Informed British sources identify her as one of the key figures in this century's eugenics movement.

This contention is borne out by a passage in a 1992 biography, *Marie Stopes and the Sexual Revolution*, authored by June Rose. Rose writes:

"Marie was an elitist, an idealist, interested in creating a society in which only the best and the beautiful should survive. Brought up on the ideas of Darwin, she responded enthusiastically to the view that his theory of natural selection argued for the need to create a super breed of humans. She was in sympathy with the aims of the Eugenics Society, founded in 1908 by Darwin's cousin, Francis Galton, to encourage the prevalence of the more suitable races or strains of blood over the less suitable. Like writers of the caliber of [George Bernard] Shaw and H.G. Wells, Marie was inspired by the simplistic notion of human perfectability. Personally she was convinced that theories derived from research into the plant and animal kingdom could be applied to the complexities of the human situation. Her attitude to the problem

was entirely academic, reinforced by her own studies into the evolution of primitive plants. The First World War had advanced the cause of the eugenics lobby, since it had revealed widespread disease and disability among the lower classes. Marie believed passionately that if such people could be persuaded not to breed, society would benefit. She told the National Birth-Rate Commission in her evidence in 1919 that the simplest way of dealing with chronic causes of inherent disease, drunkenness or bad character would be to sterilize the parents.

"To our ears, in the aftermath of Hitler, there is something blood-chilling in her fearless quest for excellence, sacrificing ordinary humanity on the altar of The Race. But at the time, the notion of suppressing weaker members of the next generation, reducing the need for institutions such as prisons and hospitals, and relieving the burden on taxpayers was immensely attractive to many members of the wealthier classes. . . .

"Marie expounded her ideas on the class system in her book *Radiant Motherhood*. . . . She believed that 'the middle and superior artisan classes,' who had to pay taxes, were reduced by circumstances into 'the position of the ancient slave and allowed to rear but one or two children as the result perhaps of a lifetime of valuable service . . . while on the other hand society allows the diseased, the racially negligent, the careless, the feeble-minded, the very lowest and worst members of the community to produce innumerable tens of thousands of warped and inferior infants."

On Aug. 12, 1939, Stopes wrote a letter to "Herr Hitler," proclaiming that "Love is the greatest thing in the world: so will you accept from me these *Love Songs for Young Lovers* that you may allow the young people of your nation to have them? The young must learn love from the particular 'till they are wise enough for the universal."

When the Society for Constructive Birth Control was launched in 1921, Marie was president and H.G. Wells was one of the vice presidents.

Preparations in Germany

Population Concern, Marie Stopes International, and other British groups such as Save the Children (whose official patron is Princess Anne, daughter of the Queen and Prince Philip) and Action Aid, are mobilizing to pull together what they call the "European network for Cairo." Among their main collaborators in this effort on the European continent are France's Equilibrium and Population, founded in 1993 (see *EIR*, Jan. 7, 1994, "Malthusians Hit Paris with Drive for Depopulation and Genocide"); the German World Population Foundation, founded in 1991 by German members of the malthusian Club of Rome organization; and Holland's World Population Foundation, which has built an extensive array of sister organizations across Europe since its inception in the late 1980s. These and other groups are receiving backing from the bureaucracy and political apparatus of the Euro-

pean Union in Brussels.

The British population-control NGOs were very active during the just-concluded "Preparatory Committee 3" (Prepcom 3) meetings in New York City that were discussing the final draft document for Cairo. One of these NGOs' pre-occupations was to combat the representation of the Holy See from Rome, and the Vatican's backers in Ibero-America and francophone Africa, who regard the Cairo conference as an abomination.

During the Prepcom 3 meetings in New York, the European NGOs had a strategy planning session with the Greek ambassador to the EU, acting in this capacity because Greece currently occupies the EU presidency.

On July 1, Germany assumes the EU presidency. Germany will, therefore, be a central focus of pro-Cairo activity in Europe. The malthusian organizations in Germany are gearing up for this moment. One of these is the German Family Planning Association. A second is the German World Population Foundation, headquartered in Hanover, where it is accorded tax-exempt status by the Lower Saxony state government. The latter includes on its board of trustees two influential malthusians in Germany. One, Ralf Seelmann-Eggebert, is senior correspondent of the Norddeutsche Rundfunk (NDR) television network and chairman of the malthusian "One World Group of Broadcasters." The second, Dr. Ernst-Ulrich von Weiszäcker, is nephew of German President Richard von Weiszäcker and is himself president of the Wuppertal Institute of Climate, Environment and Energy, one of the main institutes promoting the "ozone hole" and "greenhouse effect" hoaxes. The foundation's board of directors includes two prominent parliamentarians, Dr. Volkmar Köhler of the ruling Christian Democratic Union and Brigitte Schulte of the SPD. Schulte is chairman of the NATO Assembly Civil Affairs Committee, which is striving to make issues of the environment and population into "strategic" issues.

Over June 14-15, the German World Population Foundation, together with the German Foundation for the United Nations and the German World Famine Aid organization, will be sponsoring public hearings in Bonn on Cairo, at which leading national politicians are expected to speak out in favor of population control measures. Schulte, meanwhile, is pulling together an "all-party parliamentary group" for Cairo, and hearings on the Cairo event will be held in the German Bundestag (parliament) in mid-May. Inside the government, the "infrastructure" for official participation in, and support for, the Cairo conference is centered in the ministries of Economic Cooperation and the Interior, with advisory input from a so-called "National Commission for Issues of Population and Development."

In early summer, the Germans will be subjected to an intense barrage of pro-Cairo conference propaganda, when the Anglophile Seelmann-Eggebert and his One World Group of Broadcasters will be releasing a number of nationwide TV broadcasts in favor of population control.

South Africa now faces new tests

by Linda de Hoyos

In one of the most historic moments in African history, the citizens of the Republic of South Africa voted on April 26-29 in the first national multiracial elections to be held in that country. Despite enormous logistical difficulties preparing a vote for millions who have never before cast a ballot, despite long lines that wound as long as five kilometers and three voters abreast in some areas, the South Africans voted in an atmosphere unseared by violence and unrest, as millions of black and white voters queued up in an affirmation that ends forever the institutional divisions of apartheid. The patience exhibited by the voters, said Nelson Mandela, leader of the African National Congress and widely expected to be the country's first black President, is a "message of reconciliation" for South Africa.

The historic milestone marked by the occasion is instantly reminiscent of Nov. 10, 1989, which saw the bringing down of the Berlin Wall and the demise of communist tyranny in eastern Europe. The parallel also evokes the question: Will South Africa's leaders have the vision and the courage to realize a new South Africa, or, as occurred in Europe, will victory over tyranny turn bitter, at the hands of the International Monetary Fund and the global financial oligarchy's demand for "free trade" annihilation of nations?

For South Africa, the question is very concrete. Will South Africa, the only country on the African continent with a sizable industrial sector and high-technology agriculture, become the powerhouse for the urgently required development of southern Africa, or will it, under International Monetary Fund (IMF) conditionalities, head for deindustrialization—as has already occurred in the two British Commonwealth countries Australia and Zimbabwe—and become a mere exporter of raw materials and minerals at rock-bottom prices?

The British gameplan

The latter option is Britain's plan for South Africa—a fact any South African patriot must recognize. British enforcers are already on the scene in the form of the major mining companies of DeBeers, Lonrho, and Anglo-American, which combined control most of the South African stock exchange and news media. It is this grouping that has fostered and nurtured the South African Communist Party—the brain