‘Never again’: the battle cry to halt African genocide

by Katherine R. Notley

“Those are my ancestors,” a 30-year-old Jewish woman quietly told a LaRouche movement organizer in Leesburg, Virginia, as she stared at photos in the newspaper New Federalist, showing the Nazi box-cars sending Jews to Auschwitz in 1944, side-by-side with Laurent Kabila’s box-cars deporting dying Hutu refugees to death camps in Rwanda in 1997. The headline over the photos read, “Then, As Now.” On any Saturday, some 50 associates of Lyndon LaRouche fan out throughout the Northern Virginia suburbs of Washington, to mobilize the capital region to demand that the genocide in Africa be stopped. Nationwide, as internationally, the campaign to stop Africa’s new Hitlers has recalled the outrage expressed by Gen. George Patton, when he liberated Buchenwald concentration camp: “Never again!”

On June 18, FDR-PAC, whose national advisory board is chaired by Lyndon LaRouche, issued a pamphlet, “Never Again! Stop London’s Africa Holocaust,” reminding Americans: “Fifty years after the Nazis herded their victims into box-cars bound for mass extermination camps, the so-called civilized world is tolerating yet another Holocaust, in Central Africa. Since the invasion of Zaire by Ugandan-backed forces in late 1996, it is estimated that more than 500,000 Rwandan, Burundian, and Zairean refugees have died, either by death marches or direct attacks, and more than 2.2 million since the RPF [Rwandan Patriotic Front] invasion of Rwanda from Uganda in 1994. This is a rate of genocide more intense than that under Hitler’s Nazis.”

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Also on June 18, EIR officially released its Special Report, “Never Again! London’s Genocide Against Africans,” at a Washington, D.C. seminar addressed by LaRouche, former Ugandan President Godfrey Binaisa, and EIR’s Linda de Hoyos.

Dr. Binaisa, who founded the African Civil Rights Movement in 1995, traced the history of Britain’s blood-soaked recolonization, beginning with the Berlin Conference of 1878, when Africa was carved up under Otto von Bismarck, and Congo-Zaire itself was made a private estate for Belgian King Leopold. Since then, he noted with poignancy, Africa and Africans have been denied development as human beings, and subjected to looting. “I call upon your conscience,” Binaisa said. “See the inequities. How long shall we continue to suffer?” The African elder statesman made his appeal especially direct to Americans. “The ‘Never Again’ has fallen on deaf ears,” he said, but “Africa is looking at you, and waiting for you to act.” I keep thinking about your Declaration of Independence, and its words about us all being created in the image of God, with the rights to pursue liberty and happiness, he said. But you who have that Declaration have not done anything, and the recolonizers are taking over.

LaRouche spoke next, telling the audience of over 100 people from 20 countries, that Africa today is a reflection of the fact that “the evil we have tolerated has caught up with us,” he said. We must understand and reverse that moral decay, particularly that of the last 30 years, and learn the lessons of that process.

“The only hope is to turn this horror into a lesson,” about how a great civilization can destroy itself if it proceeds on the wrong axioms, LaRouche asserted. We must let the old system of oligarchism die, and establish a new system based on the axiomatic rule that no policy not consonant with the fact that all human beings are sacred, and made in the image of the Creator, should be tolerated. Without changing the axiomatic basis of our own institutions — back to those of universal education, scientific and technological progress, and providing opportunity for development — we cannot fix Africa. If we’re willing to do that, we can reverse the decay in the world. LaRouche
located the two aspects of the Africa crisis: first, that the African situation is something that affects us here—if Africa dies, most of us die; and second, what do we do about the Africa crisis. The very same evil that is destroying Africa, is destroying the U.S. economy, killing people with previously conquered diseases, causing the culture of violence in our cities, and the like. That evil is a “decaying civilization,” which, over the past 30 years, has spread destruction.

Think back over the process of change over the past 30 years, and how America, in particular, has changed its values and beliefs, he urged. Using a time-lapse of “psychological snapshots,” LaRouche showed how a process of successive shocks administered to American society—the Cuban missile crisis, and the assassinations of President Kennedy and Martin Luther King, Jr.—sank the U.S. population into a deep cultural pessimism, making it susceptible to the degradation of the post-industrial society, and the rock-drug-sex counterculture.

LaRouche compared this process to that which was successfully imposed after the French Revolution (see LaRouche’s feature, “How Cauchy Ruined France,” in EIR, June 20). He then reviewed the cultural pessimism which followed World War I, a “war started by Britain and won by them,” especially through the imposition of the Versailles Treaty. But there was also the creation of the philosophical degeneracy of Heidegger, Sartre, and Frantz Fanon. This fascist, existentialist outlook is directly responsible for the new generation of African butchers, through Dar Es Salaam University. Fanon wrote the Mein Kampf of Africa, he said, and his philosophy is widespread even here. As a result of this cultural pessimism, the American population is willing to tolerate things it never would have tolerated under JFK, and is generally indifferent to the horrors in Africa.

It’s not a foreign matter, he said, it’s “a symptom of the moral self-destruction of the entire civilization,” and it can’t be cured by simply dealing with Africa, although we must do that, too. We have to go back to the principles upon which the best of European civilization was built. From the time of the Golden Renaissance, the ideas of the sovereign nation-state, based on universal education, and a society that fosters scientific and technological progress, were put into practice. Under the influence of Christianity, there was a recognized need to create a form of society coherent with the idea of all people having been made in the image of God—an idea which can be tested by whether there is an increase in man’s domination over nature.

The parasite of the financial oligarchy—which we never ejected from our civilization—has now fully taken over, LaRouche said. Over the recent period, it has become clear that there are no governments which do not know that the system is bankrupt, on a world basis. But governments, including our own, still don’t have the nerve to say this out loud. Some people, like President Clinton, are beginning to talk about things like creating jobs in rebuilding Africa, and so forth. There’s not much money behind this, so many people wrongly discount its importance, LaRouche said. To prepare the population to support President Clinton in doing the right thing at the time of crisis, people have to start publicly talking about what needs to be done.

**Cornering the quislings**

The national flagship of the “Never Again” campaign is being piloted by Nancy Spannaus, who announced her intent to run for U.S. Congress against incumbent Frank Wolf (R) in Northern Virginia. Wolf, a gray yes-man for the area’s Anglophile Hunt Country oligarchy, is a board member of Baronesse Caroline Cox’s Christian Solidarity International. In her announcement on June 4, Spannaus, who is also editor-in-chief of the weekly newspaper New Federalist, demanded Wolf be held accountable for answering four questions:

“1. Congressman Wolf, why are you silent on the holocaust, the worst genocide in decades, which is documented to be going on to this day in Zaire?

“2. Is your silence related to your connections with Baroness Caroline Cox of Christian Solidarity International, an association which functions as an arm of British Intelligence,
and backs Uganda’s President Museveni?

“3. Are you aware that President Museveni has favorably compared his mission, and himself, to that of Adolf Hitler?

“4. Is your silence related to the support you’ve been given by the Loudoun County Hunt Country set, who support African genocide policies in the name of saving the gorillas, or reducing what they consider ‘excess’ population?”

Wolf’s stony silence in response prompted her to lead a rally outside CSI’s local headquarters in the backwater town of Front Royal in Wolf’s district on June 12. Wolf’s role in abetting Museveni’s war against Sudan, while denying his holocaust in Zaire, was the focus of the picket line. A young African organizer briefed passersby from the bullhorn: “African women and babies are being buried alive, raped, and murdered. As you can tell, I’m not from your country, but from Africa. I’ve been fighting the genocide. Are you going to just sit back and eat apple pie, because it’s not happening in your neighborhood? Believe me, if you let it happen there, they’ll come for you next.”

Two other leading agents in the “holocaust denial” crowd are Africanist Rep. Donald Payne (D-N.J.) and CSI member, Rep. Chris Smith (R-N.J.), who styles himself a “pro-life” congressman. Payne, former chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus, has played an especially central role in silencing outrage among U.S. African-Americans against the Hitler-scale genocide in Africa. His cowardice, however, has not been without loud opposition. At least six ministers from his congressional district have signed an appeal to President Clinton for emergency action to stop the genocide that was drafted by Schiller Institute chairman Helga Zepp LaRouche and African Civil Rights Movement founder Dr. Godfrey Binaisa, former President of Uganda (see EIR, April 18, p. 28).

While Payne, who openly professed his backing for Kabila in the Washington Post April 29, 1997, professes ignorance of the mass killings of Hutu refugees, the Schiller Institute has been demanding he meet with President Binaisa, to get a full strategic overview of the British plot to get Africa, once again, under its boot. (Actually, Payne has been fully aware of the atrocities committed by Kabila, as was Ross Perot’s intelligence agent, Leonora Fulani.)

Unlike his Virginia colleague Wolf, who was handed his Congressional seat by the “Lords of Loudoun,” such as Sir Paul Mellon and Arthur “Nicky” Arundel, Payne’s usefulness to his masters relies on popular perception that he is a “black activist” and “Africa expert.” And, unlike the dead-pan Wolf, Payne reacted heatedly, when New Federalist accompanied

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**‘Hero’ Kabila saves the white rhino**


Dublin reported that Kabila’s forces had “taken the initiative to contact the WWF, by radio in Goma,” and officials of the WWF had been allowed to enter Garamba national park in the war zone, to check the state of the park. As a result, reported the London Times on June 11, “despite fears, only one out of 31 may have fallen victim to the conflict. The reported death had not been confirmed.”

**The case of the black rhino**

In our Special Report, “The Coming Fall of the House of Windsor” (EIR, Oct. 28, 1994), we exposed how Prince Philip’s WWF (then the World Wildlife Fund) got its start in 1961 with a campaign to tug at the heart (and purse) strings to save Africa’s black rhinos. After raising some $110 million, by 1980 WWF had spent a grand total of 118,553 Swiss francs to save the black rhino, 95.5% of whose population had disappeared. WWF Director General Charles de Haes was notorious for expostulating to his staff: “I don’t give a continental f***” about the rhinoceros.

In 1987, the WWF put up 1 million Swiss francs for Operation Stronghold, ostensibly to enable the Zimbabwe Department of National Parks and Wildlife Management to save the 700 black rhinos left in the Zambezi Valley, the largest wild herd remaining in Africa. By 1991, it came to light that some 145 “poachers” had been killed, 84 of them in the Zambezi Valley. Most of those were shot by WWF contract employees from a helicopter.

From the moment that the project was agreed to in February 1987, the WWF’s aim had been “to translocate rhinos captured in the valley to safer areas elsewhere.” Drugged and immobilized, the rhinos were shipped off to privately owned game farms in Zimbabwe, elsewhere in Africa, and to the United States and Australia. Why relocate this endangered herd from its natural habitat? It so happens that the International Monetary Fund, then dictating a “restructuring” of Zimbabwe’s economy, had mandated that a beef-raising business be set up in the Zambezi Valley, to export beef to the European Community. After the rhinos had been “relocated,” squads of animal exterminators moved into the valley and killed scores of elephants and 5,000 buffalo to make way for the IMF-mandated beef ranch, which soon collapsed into bankruptcy, leaving large debts and no rhinos.
its article on his activities with a cartoon, asking “Why Does the Democratic Party Tolerate This Payne In The...?”

When a Schiller Institute organizer finally reached him on the phone on June 12, to again request he set up a meeting with Dr. Binaisa, Payne repeated his denial that there was a holocaust, complained that Kabila couldn’t be blamed for it, and claimed to have never heard of Dr. Binaisa—a man who had fought for African independence before the independence movements as such had begun. The organizer tried to dislodge Payne from his stance—reminding Payne that, to his credit, he had picked a fight with George Bush lackey Michael Ledeen during hearings called to smear Nation of Islam Minister Louis Farrakhan—but Payne stuck to his public persona, civil rights case against the FBI to “end the cover-up portrayal” of Kabila the war criminals, particularly the aggressors who started it all, like Museveni, Kagame, and Buyoya. These are the new Hitlers of Africa, who must be stopped before it is too late. Their backers, the big American and British corporations, such as Barrick Gold and Anglo American, must also be exposed and stopped now.”

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Stop the ‘new Hitlers’

On June 23, the New Federalist published the African Civil Rights Movement’s internationally circulated appeal to President Clinton to “end the cover-up portrayal” of Kabila and to “urge you to use the power of your office to investigate the war criminals, particularly the aggressors who started it all, like Museveni, Kagame, and Buyoya. These are the new Hitlers of Africa, who must be stopped before it is too late. Their backers, the big American and British corporations, such as Barrick Gold and Anglo American, must also be exposed and stopped now.”

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FBI used dirty tricks vs. LaRouche movement

by Mary Jane Freeman

In preparation for a June 3, 1997 hearing in the long-standing civil rights case filed against the FBI by Lyndon LaRouche and members of the National Caucus of Labor Committees (NCLC), attorneys for LaRouche and the NCLC filed a legal brief, supplemented by three volumes of documentation. The occasion of the brief was to show the enduring relevance of discovery requests, made back in 1985 by LaRouche and the NCLC. The requested discovery goes to the heart of the case: the FBI’s continuous illegal operations designed to eliminate LaRouche, and discredit and destroy the NCLC as a political organization. The hearing was held before Federal magistrate Sharon E. Grubin in New York, who said she would review the brief and decide by the end of August, whether this discovery is relevant.

The lawsuit, LaRouche, et al. v. Webster, et al., filed in New York in 1975 and amended in 1982, seeks to enjoin the FBI’s illegal acts directed against LaRouche et al., and enjoin the release of thousands of FBI files on LaRouche and the NCLC which contain false and highly inflammatory disinformation. The discovery requests seek to obtain still-secret FBI files, including at least 25,000 pages of informant files, and to take depositions from former FBI Director William Webster, his former assistant Oliver “Buck” Revell, and other FBI officials, supervisors, and case agents.

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