

LaRouche Is Best-Known Dem Candidate in Mideast

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Lyndon LaRouche continues to be the most recognized and popular American Democratic Presidential pre-candidate in the Middle East. The continued coverage in the Arabic press of his activities in the United States to remove the war party of Vice President Dick Cheney and his Straussian cabal, and LaRouche's tours in Eurasia and the Mideast to establish an alternative, just foreign policy for America, are often reported and commented upon. We review here some of the recent highlights.

On June 25, the London-based Arabic daily *Al-Arab International* published an article issued by *EIR Arabic* under the headline: "The Collapse of the International Financial System Is the Reason Behind the Continuous Attacks on LaRouche." The article started with a question: "Ask yourself: Why would four of the most influential financial dailies in the world hurry to defend the fascist ideology of Leo Strauss and his neo-conservative disciples who are pushing a policy of world war? These newspapers are the *Wall Street Journal*, *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, the *Financial Times*, and the *Economist*. All of them (with the exception of *Financial Times* which did not mention LaRouche by name) accused the campaign of the Democratic Presidential candidate Lyndon LaRouche of being the source of the exposé that the war party of the neo-cons which misled the U.S. President, the Congress and the public in order to launch the war on Iraq and now Iran, are all followers of the fascist Leo Strauss."

The article describes the *Children of Satan* dossier, issued for mass circulation by the LaRouche campaign, and announces the Arabic version with the address of the *larouche-pub.com* Arabic website. It also deals with the issue of the Synarchist network of financial-banking interests who use the neo-cons, the Zionist Lobby, and Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon as "tools of a policy," in contrast to the commonly held, but false, notion that the Zionist Lobby controls U.S. policy. The article notes that these are the same financial-banking interests that put Hitler into power, as a response to the financial-economic collapse in the 1930s, in order to prevent the emergence of any national, legitimate policies in Europe. "The situation today is almost identical," the article states, adding that this "whole war policy is not about protecting Israel, but rather about preserving the power and control of these forces after the demise of globalization and the ongoing collapse of the current financial-monetary system."

The article then explains why LaRouche has become such

a threat to these interests. It situates his ideas such as the New Bretton Woods proposal, the Eurasian Land-Bridge, and the role of the U.S. republic as mediator in a new, just world economic order among sovereign nation-states, stripping these financier interests of their control over the world economy.

"This is the issue and these are the reasons. The nervous breakdown expressed by these publications is a symptom of this struggle," the article concludes.

LaRouche in Turkey

Meanwhile, LaRouche's visit to Turkey caught the attention of the Egyptian media. *Al-Ahram*, the semi-official daily and one of the largest Arabic newspapers in Egypt, published a lengthy interview with LaRouche on June 25, conducted by the *Al-Ahram* correspondent in Ankara. The questions and answers were similar to ones LaRouche gave in the discussion period after his speech at the Ankara Chamber of Commerce (see *EIR*, July 4). The newspaper introduces the interview in the following way: "Lyndon LaRouche is a perennial American politician and a prominent member of the Democratic Party. He has announced his candidacy for the Coming Presidential elections. In his talk with *Al-Ahram*, LaRouche launched a severe attack on President Bush and his Administration which is controlled by the so-called neo-conservatives, saying: It is a gang which intends to rule the world by force. He called for a quick withdrawal of the U.S. forces from Iraq and the immediate implementation of the 'Road Map' plan after stopping Israeli attacks against the Palestinians. Here is the text of the interview, which reflects a certain tendency within the U.S. that should be recognized."

Egypt and other Arab countries, such as Syria, have been watching the situation in Turkey very closely and with a great deal of concern. The "war party" in the United States, especially as orchestrated by such outfits as the Jewish Institute for National Security Affairs (JINSA), and their Israeli lackeys, have been working to bring Turkey into a military alliance with Israel and the United States, targetting other Arab countries and Iran. LaRouche's intervention is of great importance, not only for Turkey, but also for the whole region. Egypt itself, like Turkey, has been a target for blackmailing by the "chicken-hawks," and also by the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.

From Turkey itself, the July issue of *Yarin*, the Turkish magazine that sponsored LaRouche's recent trip there, features the transcript of his speech in Istanbul, entitled "Eurasia: New Key for Global Development and Peace." In the same issue is an essay by Helga Zepp-LaRouche, written especially for *Yarin*, entitled, "Religion and Freedom."

'Impeach Cheney'!

Meanwhile, LaRouche's famous exposé of the Straussian "Children of Satan" continues to be a matter of discussion in the Arab world. On June 28, the leading Arabic daily *Al-Hayat*

published an op-ed by Dr. Mounther Al-Daqaq, professor at the University of Damascus, in which he explains why "the road to peace is always cut." His idea is that powerful Western interests are not willing to have peace in the Middle East. "Current events are still certifying that peace is forbidden to Arabs, and that Israel was created to secure permanent instability in the Middle East, which is to the benefit of the new conquering power to exploit the region's strategic wealth."

Al-Daqaq introduces his interpretation of LaRouche's views, as part of this explanation. "In an article published by Lyndon LaRouche, the candidate for U.S. Presidency in 2004, the author was honest in revealing the American policy and its goals in the long run. He called officials of the U.S. Administration 'the children of Satan,' exposing the secret goals of the new American hegemony."

Al-Daqaq also reflects views earlier expressed by LaRouche on the Sept. 11 events.

The reference to the *Children of Satan* exposé reflects the widespread effects it has had in the debates in the Middle East. An Arabic translation, which is posted on LaRouche's Arabic website, has been widely circulated among political layers in many countries in the region.

A few days earlier, *Al-Hayat* published correspondence between this author and its leading columnist Jihad al-Khazen, who himself wrote a series of articles on the neo-cons.

In the same week, Dubai's leading daily *Al-Bayan* published an op-ed by Dr. Ahmed al-Kedidi, professor at the University of Qatar and a leading advocate of the dialogue of cultures, on the subject of the threats being made by the war-hawks in the United States against Iran. Al-Kedidi recalled his meeting with LaRouche almost a year ago, when LaRouche warned against this kind of development, both in Iraq and Iran. Al-Kedidi also recalled LaRouche's description of the coming war as a part of a policy that was pushed by then-Defense Secretary Dick Cheney already during the 1991 Gulf War.

LaRouche's campaign to impeach Cheney was also being reported on Arabic websites since early June. Arabic websites and Internet discussion groups often carry LaRouche campaign press releases and analysis. These can be accessed easily by typing /larouche/ in Arabic in any of the international search engines. There the reader will find hundreds of articles and reports about LaRouche's views and actions in the United States and around the world. Therefore, it is not an exaggeration to state that LaRouche is the most popular American Presidential candidate in the Arab world.

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