

Kuzin to Medvedev: Listen to LaRouche

Oct. 27—Appearing in the commentary section of President Dmitri Medvedev's blog today was an open letter from Victor Kuzin, a Moscow lawyer who was famous as a human rights activist in the late 1980s and early 1990s. Kuzin's letter refers to the report published in this week's issue of the weekly *Zavtra*, based on journalist Alexander Nagorny's interview of Lyndon LaRouche during the 7th annual Rhodes Forum—"Dialogue of Civilizations," in early October on the island of Rhodes, in Greece.

In addition to Medvedev's blog, Kuzin's letter has been posted on the commentary pages of *Zavtra*.

Kuzin's letter says:

"Mr. President!

"I have decided to write to you personally, for the first and perhaps the last time, taking advantage of this new means of communication you offer through the Internet.

"My letter is occasioned by the publication in the newspaper *Zavtra*, of an interview with the well-known American economist and political figure Lyndon LaRouche. In 1993-1994, I had the good fortune of taking part in a human rights defense campaign on his behalf, and I know him well personally.

"His views and his approach to researching world economic and global political processes represent a good contrast, in their competence, depth, and insight, to the behavior of our well-known nightingales of monetarism, and the scientific liberal extremists with their henchmen in government institutions, such as A. Lifshits, Ye. Yasin, A. Kudrin, A. Chubais, and Co., whose most recent statements most probably are already known to you.

"If we wish to restore a sovereign Russia, I believe that LaRouche's position on the current financial and economic crisis deserves special, very serious attention, because it is not based on short-term considerations, it is competent (backed up by experience of accurate forecasts over recent decades), it is globally



Renowned human rights activist Victor Kuzin has urged Russian President Medvedev to give "special, serious attention" to LaRouche's proposals.

responsible, and it indicates real ways out of a general catastrophe.

"It would be most regrettable if, in determining foreign and domestic policy priorities in such a critical situation for Russia, you were to ignore the experience and knowledge of this outstanding public figure, which are substantial, quite multi-faceted, and very much needed, especially now.

"In the cause of serving our common Fatherland, my wish is for you to be more consistent in upholding Russia's national interests and, relying on the people, to shift as quickly as possible from mere words, as correct as they might be, to their practical implementation.

"I flatter myself with the hope that this will be the case.

"V.A. Kuzin, lawyer"

Kuzin was a co-founder of Democratic Union, the first political party formed in the Soviet Union other than the Communist Party. Horrified by the assault on Russia under the Yeltsin regime's liberal economic reforms in the 1990s, Kuzin became an ardent opponent of the regime. From 1993 through 1996, he took part in international campaigns for the release of American economist Lyndon LaRouche from prison, and then for LaRouche's exoneration. His interview of LaRouche, done in November 1993 at the U.S. Federal prison facility in Rochester, Minn., continues to circulate on the Russian Internet to this day.