

DOJ Caught Bankrolling Anti-LaRouche Campaign

The Bush Justice Department has been caught bankrolling the Simon Wiesenthal Center, a promoter of hate crimes against LaRouche.

At the very same time that the Wiesenthal Center's Paris-based international relations director Dr. Shimon Samuels has been caught in the middle of a vile British slander operation targetting Lyndon LaRouche and the LaRouche Youth Movement, the Los Angeles headquarters of that organization has been found to be bankrolled by the Bush Administration Justice Department to the tune of tens of millions of dollars. According to Simon Wiesenthal Center Tax Exemption Form 990s for 2002-2004, and the U.S. Department of Justice's Internet grant index

for 2002-2007, the Cheney-Bush Administration has been providing between a quarter to a third of the Center's total international budget, principally through Justice Department grants, ostensibly for anti-hate-crime law enforcement training projects, including one called "Tools for Tolerance."

According to the 2002 Form 990, the Center received \$10 million in government grants, and approximately \$3.5 million the following year. More recent 990 Forms have not yet been obtained by *EIR*; however, records of the DOJ's Office of Justice Program show that Justice Department grants of similar size have continued through 2007.

In recent published statements, Shimon Samuels has shown himself to be a total fool, identifying LaRouche slanderers Dennis King and Chip Berlet, and Erica Duggan (mother of Jeremiah, the young man whose suicide is at the center of a smear campaign against LaRouche) as the world's three leading experts on Lyndon LaRouche and the LaRouche Movement.