## **Editorial**

## 2008 Is Too Late

Developments over the last two weeks—from the introduction of Rep. Dennis Kucinich's impeachment resolution against Vice President Dick Cheney in Congress, to the passage of resolutions supporting or mooting impeachment in the Louisiana and California Democratic parties—reflect the reality that the American population is ready for the removal of that lying scoundrel of a Vice President from office—now! The question is, how can you, the citizen, get your Congressman to have the courage to act?

So far, there are only three Members of Congress who have had the guts to openly demand impeachment of Cheney: Kucinich (D-Ohio), Rep. Lacy Clay (D-Mo.), and Rep. Jan Schakowsky (D-III.). And even Kucinich required the political equivalent of a kick in the ass from the LaRouche Youth Movement in order to take action.

Don't even think of waiting for the Democratic Presidential candidates, of course. As *EIR* documented last week, they are basically bought and paid for by the hedge funds, which rely on Dick Cheney and his like to do their bidding. When pressed, they say that it's either "not realistic," or even that it is "in the interest of the Republicans," to proceed with the impeachment of Cheney. These Democrats are totally out of touch with reality.

As everybody knows, Cheney is *the* man who "fixed" the intelligence, and violated the Constitution by committing a fraud on the Presidency and the nation, by lying about Iraq's nuclear capability, and pushing us into that disastrous, and illegal, aggressive war. His actions are not a matter of "history": They are still responsible for killing Americans, and Iraqis, every day, in increasing numbers.

On top of that ongoing crime, is there any doubt that Cheney is the key mover behind the ongoing push for a new war against Iran? For the expansion of government police-state powers against those who oppose the Administration's policies on the Iraq War, and otherwise? For the ongoing policy of savaging the living standards of the vast majority of Americans, and others, in the interests of the international bankers?

What makes you think that we will still have a demo-

cratic republic on Election Day in November 2008, if Cheney is not removed from office soon?

But, actually, that is only part of the reality which must be faced. Because, in addition to the evil which Cheney is committed to carrying out, there is his role in *blocking* the necessary shift toward an FDR-style economic policy, which is required in order to stop the disintegration of the U.S. and world economy. It is inconceivable that Cheney, with his Hitlerian view of the powers of the Presidency, would permit the Congress to take the actions needed to prevent the blowout of the financial system, and to launch the dramatic reconstruction program which will bring the U.S. into cooperation with the great Eurasian nations, for a worldwide economic recovery.

We're not talking about esoteric issues here. Those mass layoffs, and escalating numbers of foreclosures and evictions, are destroying the lives of hundreds of thousands of Americans. And that process is going to continue, as long as Cheney remains in office.

The appropriate question is the one asked of Sen. Hillary Clinton (D-N.Y.) at the California Democratic Convention at the end of April, when she said that she would bring the troops home from Iraq when she took office as President, in January 2009: How many more Americans (and Iraqis) will have died by then? How many more lives will be destroyed, families broken up, industries dismantled, by the time Cheney and Bush leave office "naturally," after the 2008 election?

As LaRouche put it a few weeks ago: It's time to realize what time it is. We are in an end-game scenario, not only for the world economy, and world civilization, but for the United States as a republic. The situation is ripe for a positive shift, as the stunning developments on the Eurasian Land-Bridge indicate. And *all* these positive developments, including on impeachment, are the result of direct or indirect, sustained input by LaRouche and his youth movement.

The good news is that the LaRouche Youth Movement is on the scene, and prepared to lead, and pressure, the Democrats into getting rid of Cheney now. The open question, is whether you will take the necessary action to support them.

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