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U.S. LABOR PARTY PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT:

FBI-GAO REPORT CALLS FOR DESTRUCTION OF 1976 ELECTIONS AND THE FIRST AMENDMENT

NEW YORK, FEB. 26 (IPS) -- THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT WAS ISSUED TODAY BY
U.S. LABOR PARTY PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE, LYNDON LAROUCHE:

"THE LIBELOUS CHARACTERIZATIONS OF MY ORGANIZATION AS SUBVERSIVE
AND VIOLENT BY THE FBI AND THE GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE (GAO) REPRESENT AN OPEN ESCALATION IN ATTORNEY GENERAL LEVI'S ATTEMPTS TO DISRUPT MY 1976 PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN AND MY ORGANIZATION'S EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF DEBT MORATORIUM AND THE PROPOSED INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT BANK (IDB).

"IF THESE FINDINGS AND THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE GAO REPORT FOR 'PREVENTIVE ACTION' WERE TO BE ADOPTED BY CONGRESS, CONGRESS WOULD BE EXPLICITLY LEGALIZING THE IMPOSITION OF POLICE-STATE METHODS TO WRECK THE 1976 ELECTIONS AND TO DESTROY THE U.S. CONSTITUTION.

"IN CHAPTER 5 OF THE GAO REPORT, THE NATIONAL CAUCUS OF LABOR COMMITTEES (THE CORE ORGANIZATION OF THE U.S. LABOR PARTY) IS THE FINAL ORGANIZATION ON A LIST OF 'SUBVERSIVE' ORGANIZATIONS. THE REPORT LATER STATES THAT THE FBI IS 'CONTINUALLY CONCERNED ABOUT SMALL MARXIST-LENINIST STUDY GROUPS SUDDENLY TRANSFORMING INTO ARMED REVOLUTIONARY BANDS. AS AN EXAMPLE, THE FBI MENTIONED THE NCLC, ONCE AN INEFFECTIVE, LOOSELY-KNIT GROUP WHICH IS EXPANDING RAPIDLY UNDER NEW NATIONAL LEADERSHIP.'

"THE FBI 'SUBVERSIVE' LIST IS NOT ONLY AN ATTEMPT TO REVIVE THE OLD ATTORNEY GENERAL'S SUBVERSIVE LIST FROM THE 1950S, BUT IT IS TARGETING THE NCLC AND THE USLP FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF CONTINUING AND ESCALATING 'DIRTY TRICKS' AND TERROR OPERATIONS AGAINST SUPPORTERS OF MY CAMPAIGN AND SUPPORTERS OF THE LABOR PARTY'S PROGRAMMATIC PROPOSALS.

"THIS IS MADE ABSOLUTELY CLEAR FROM A REVIEW OF THE OTHER ORGANIZATIONS LISTED AS 'SUBVERSIVE' OR EXTREMIST.' WITH THE SOLE EXCEPTION OF THE NATION OF ISLAM, EVERY OTHER ORGANIZATION IS DIRECTLY CONTROLLED BY THE FBI OR OTHER INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES. THESE ORGANIZATIONS, SUCH AS THE COMMUNIST PARTY USA, THE 'REVOLUTIONARY COMMUNIST PARTY,' AND THE KU KLUX KLAN, ARE STRAIGHT FBI DEPLOYMENTS AGAINST THE LABOR PARTY. THEY ARE PART OF AN ONGOING OPERATION WHICH WOULD BE LEGALIZED AS 'PREVENTIVE ACTION' UNDER THE PROPOSED GUIDELINES.

PUT THE FBI ON TRIAL

"THE FBI IS NOW FRANTICALLY TRYING TO COVER THEIR TRACKS AND DEFEND THEMSELVES AGAINST THE CHARGES OF ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES WE HAVE CONSTANTLY MADE AGAINST THEM. WE ARE PUTTING THE FBI ON TRIAL IN FIVE CIVIL CASES IN FEDERAL COURTS. THE SUIT FILED IN MY NAME AGAINST FBI DIRECTOR KELLEY, LEVI, AND THE FBI IN FEDERAL COURT IN NEW YORK, IS EXACTLY ON THIS POINT: THAT THE FBI'S PUBLIC CHARACTERIZATION OF THE NCLC AND THE U.S. LABOR PARTY AS "VIOLENCE-PRONE" IS DONE FOR THE DELIBERATE PURPOSE OF DISRUPTION OF MY CAMPAIGN AND OTHER ELECTION CAMPAIGNS OF THE LABOR PARTY.

"IN THREE OTHER FEDERAL CASES ALREADY FILED (IN DETROIT, NEW JERSEY, AND READING, PA.) AND IN ONE PENDING CASE IN OHIO, WE ARE CHARGING THE FBI WITH CONSPIRING TO DISRUPT LABOR PARTY ELECTION CAMPAIGNS.

"THE GAO REPORT FRANKLY ADMITS THAT THE FBI IS SCARED OF THESE CASES, WITH ITS REFERENCES THAT POLITICAL CANDIDATES OF THE NCLC (AND THE FBI-RUN SWP) NOT BE DIRECTLY INVESTIGATED. BUT THE REPORT ADMITS THAT ANY INVESTIGATIONS OF POLITICAL CANDIDATES ARE CARRIED OUT UNDER THE DIRECT INSTRUCTIONS OF FBI HEADQUARTERS -- A KEY POINT WHICH WE HAVE ALREADY ALLEGED IN HOLDING KELLEY AND LEVI RESPONSIBLE IN COURT FOR THE ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES OF THEIR FIELD AGENTS.

"WE DEMAND THAT THE CONGRESS REJECT THE GAO REPORT OUT OF HAND AND THAT INSTEAD, IT PROCEED WITH THE URGENT BUSINESS OF INVESTIGATING ILLEGAL FBI INTERFERENCE IN THE 1976 ELECTIONS AND WITH HOLDING HEARINGS ON OUR OWN PROPOSED LAW ENFORCEMENT REFORM ACT OF 1976.

"WE WILL BE ENTERING FEDERAL COURT NEXT WEEK FOR AN EMERGENCY INJUNCTION AGAINST BOTH THE GAO AND THE FBI -- TO ENJOIN THE GAO FROM CIRCULATING OR USING THEIR RECENT REPORT, AND TO PREVENT THE FBI FROM FURTHER DISRUPTING MY ELECTION CAMPAIGN THROUGH ITS BASELESS CHARACTERIZATION OF MY ORGANIZATION AS 'VIOLENCE-PRONE' AND 'SUBVERSIVE,' AND THROUGH ITS 'SMITH ACT/MCCARRAN ACT' INVESTIGATIONS OF NCLC AND USLP MEMBERS.

"IF CONGRESS CAPITULATES TO THE FBI'S CRIMES, IT IS WRITING THE EPITAPH FOR CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT IN THE UNITED STATES. IT IS UP TO THE ORGANIZED FORCE OF THE U.S. WORKING CLASS TO SEE THAT THIS IS NOT ALLOWED TO HAPPEN."

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