

Behind Der Spiegel's slander operation

A dossier on the Anglo-Canadian intelligence capabilities and their on-the-ground use against LaRouche.

On Sept. 22 Der Spiegel, the leading weekly news magazine in West Germany, published an article attacking the European Labor Party—headed by Helga Zepp-LaRouche, wife of EIR founder Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.—as a “Nazi anti-Semitic” organization. The following report, prepared by a team of EIR’s biweekly counterintelligence newsletter, Investigative Leads, provides the background on this and parallel slanders.

From preliminary street interviews reported from the Federal Republic of Germany, the majority of the population sampled indicated that its view of the European Labor Party (EAP) became more favorable because of the libelous attack on the EAP featured in the Sept. 22 issue of the prominent newsweekly *Der Spiegel*. Most of the remainder of the sampled population, who had believed there must be some degree of truth to *Der Spiegel’s* libel, were reportedly stunned and often angered by a leaflet exposing the connection between the libelous featured article and the international drug lobby.

The majority of the population of the Federal Republic has developed the opinion that *Der Spiegel* is representative of some interest which is adversary to their own interests. They also regard *Der Spiegel* as a publication that frequently twists facts to create false impressions.

Spiegel’s attempted first line of self-defense against charges of criminal libel is the assertion that its U.S. sources for the libel are “authoritative” publications such as the *New York Times* and *Washington Post*. *Spiegel’s* attempted self-defense conforms in crucial features to the argument of defense lawyers in Paris, where a criminal libel prosecution is currently in progress against the *International Herald Tribune* for the *IHT’s* publication of false and defamatory material from the same sources employed by *Spiegel*. The *IHT’s* defense attorneys argued that truth is not necessarily a criterion in U.S. libel cases, and that therefore, since the *IHT’s*

defamatory libel against U.S. 1980 Democratic Party presidential candidate Lyndon LaRouche was written in the United States, the publication of such material in France should be interpreted according to U.S. law, not French law.

The *IHT’s* attorneys cited the conducting of the same falsehoods into the New Hampshire news media during the period of the New Hampshire presidential primary. They argued that without such defamatory actions, LaRouche might have secured a large vote in that primary, and that therefore the use of such defamatory materials was justified.

Spiegel representatives echoed that particular form of argument. They insisted that the publication of the libel at the present time was necessary in order to prevent the EAP from securing a significant vote in West Germany’s Oct. 5 General election.

Therefore, *Spiegel* is not embarrassed by proof that the libels published in the *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *Los Angeles Times*, and other prominent periodicals originated with an obscure New York City weekly, *Our Town*, edited by a convicted criminal, Ed Kayatt, who formerly served time in prison for securities fraud, or by evidence that the circulation of republications of the same libels internationally is promoted chiefly by the international drug lobby.

The following dossier identifies leading components of the network coordinating the international distribution of the variety of libels, recently appearing in *Spiegel*, the Maoist Hamburg publication *Arbeiterkampf*, the Bavarian anarchist publication *Das Blatt*, and the U.S. pornographic publication *Hustler*.

The grey influentials behind the operation

Cumulatively speaking, the most conspicuous of the agents coordinating the libels is one Arthur Ross of New York City.

Ross is a former protégé of Lord Beaverbrook and Beaverbrook's Sir William Stephenson, and has been for the past four decades to date an integral part of the Anglo-Canadian secret intelligence organization formerly named the Special Operations Executive (SOE).

During the postwar period, prior to the formal demobilization of the wartime Special Operations Executive, the economic warfare entities created by SOE for operations against Germany, Italy, and Japan were established as nominally independent private corporations. These, and newly spawned corporate entities of the same network, continue to conduct economic warfare globally today, and also serve as a private cover for some of the dirtiest operations of Anglo-Canadian secret intelligence services.

Rio Tinto Zinc is one such case. So is the Argus Corporation, with which Ross is directly associated. ITT is a related case. Another case is the Permindex ("Permanent Industrial Exposition") entity, created by Canadian SOE executives (Major Louis M. Bloomfield), and implicated in assassination attempts against President Charles de Gaulle, as well as subjected to indictment in connection with preparations for the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

The immediate financial coordination for the operations of this nest of SOE covers for Anglo-Canadian intelligence is the offshore banking network for the City of London. These "offshore" financial operations center in the Canadian banking system, and include as a part of the same network the British West Indies, Hong Kong, and Singapore financial circuits. This is the same financial network that also serves as the principal conduit for "laundering" the hundreds of billions of dollars accumulated by illegal drug interests.

These Anglo-Canadian interests exert a dominant influence within large portions of the Manhattan banking community and the New York Council on Foreign Relations, the latter the Round-Table-spawned leading policymaking conduit for the so-called Eastern Establishment of the United States. Arthur Ross is a part of those banking circles, a leading influence within the New York Council on Foreign Relations, and has for years been the "controller" of Sen. Jacob Javits, the stringpuller behind Javits's role in NATO.

This network overlaps another arm of British secret intelligence, run under the cover of the foreign office of the established Church of England. The two arms overlap within the leading transatlantic circles of the British branch of the Order of Malta: Key figures of the New York City Anglican Cathedral of St. John the Divine, including Bishop Paul Moore and Canon Edward West, are ranking British secret intelligence executives in the United States.

This is the network which deployed and controls the principal international libel and harassment campaigns against former Democratic Party presidential candidate

LaRouche and LaRouche's friends and associates.

The short history of the operation

The known history of the Anglo-Canadian secret intelligence operation behind libels including the recent *Spiegel* feature is dated from May 1968.

The original cause of the operation was the work of LaRouche and a relative handful of associates in effecting nearly successful operations against the SDS-conducted riot operations of 1968. LaRouche and his associates had penetrated Students for a Democratic Society for the purpose of weakening the Herbert Marcuse-linked networks then being financially sponsored chiefly by the Ford Foundation through, in particular, conduits managed by the self-styled neo-Fabian "left-wing" intelligence networks of the Institute for Policy Studies.

In response, the Institute for Policy Studies and its sponsors developed a relatively large-scale counter-operation against LaRouche and his associates.

The role of such Philip Agee associates as Harvey Kahn in conducting the massive libel and harassment campaign against LaRouche and his associates internationally in 1976 reflects Kahn's assignment to conduct "black propaganda" against LaRouche beginning in 1968.

It was Kahn's libels which were later used as a basis for the Mont Pelerin Society's libel campaign of May-June 1978. This was documented by a British secret intelligence operative resident in the United States, Francis M. Watson, and by Michael Deaver of Ronald Reagan's "Citizens for the Republic" newsletter.

Deaver stated that his libel against LaRouche had been channeled through the Mont Pelerin Society on orders from a Hong Kong meeting of the society. Deaver stated, as Watson independently corroborated, that Robert Moss was assigned to coordinate the libel and harassment campaign internationally.

The intimate collaboration with Philip Agee's networks, especially Harvey Kahn, in inventing the libel used by the Mont Pelerin Society, was stated in print in a libel published by the magazine *Business Week*, and also in a libelous report written over Watson's byline as a bulletin of the Mont Pelerin Society-controlled Heritage Foundation.

During this period, an operative in the office of Sen. Jacob Javits, Jeremiah Novak (the brother of Michael Novak) proposed a modification of the libel line to be used against LaRouche and his associates, according to affidavits of statement volunteered to an undercover investigator. Novak proposed to change the libel against LaRouche to "Nazi," arguing that the large proportion of Jews prominently associated with LaRouche made the proposed charge of "anti-Semitism" ineffective by itself.

During the same general period, Canon West, among others, stated to undercover investigators, "We're going to use Jews against them. By tying them up with Zionists, we will divert them from us."

Since the ranks of Zionists include both allies and adversaries of LaRouche's policies for the Middle East, undercover investigations readily identified the faction of Israeli intelligence's Mossad being deployed by Anglo-Canadian secret intelligence for the operation proposed variously by Novak, West, et al.

The dirty faction of the Israeli Mossad operating within the United States centers around two elements, an inner circle deployed under the cover of the Anti-Defamation League and the terrorist Jewish Defense League associated with Rabbi Meir Kahane. This dirty faction of the Mossad is controlled by Anglo-Canadian secret intelligence, but is partially cut out from its "mother" entity through international financial networks intersecting the famous Bank Leumi.

Undercover investigations targeting such unwitting informants as Burton Joseph, Irwin Suall, and Justin Finger of the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) elicited cross-checked and independently verified details of the operation Canon West's associates were deploying under the cover of the ADL. These ADL-linked operations were deployed, most notably, with cooperation from contaminated elements of the Carter administration, including important elements of the State and Justice Departments. This also intersected contaminated sections of U.S. military intelligence as is illustrated by the former Air Force Intelligence rank of Kahane-linked Colonel Joseph Churba, and by John Birch Society penetration of Pentagon and other U.S. intelligence organizations and "old-boy" networks.

Also jointly linked to both the Mont Pelerin Society and Mossad subelements of Anglo-Canadian intelligence is a New York entity known as the East Side Conservative Club, an entity which includes prominently William F. Buckley and the notorious former chief counsel to Sen. Joseph McCarthy, Roy Cohn.

The other major component of the deployed forces is the international drug lobby. This centers around the prodrug and pornography-publishing networks. It includes the Playboy Foundation's backing of the major prodrug lobby organization in the United States, NORML, and the leading drug-boosting publication in the nation, *High Times*. There is a massive overlap among the Mossad networks, the pro-terrorist networks of the Institute for Policy Studies, and the drug-pornography-lobby networks. These entities not only overlap massively—the nominal lines of separation among these forces have been dissolved entirely in the process of libel, harassment, and violent operations launched over the past year against LaRouche and his associates.

As a result of successful undercover penetration of the *New York Times* during the summer of 1979,

LaRouche's security organization secured photos, tape recordings and affidavits documenting the declarations of *Times* employees Paul Montgomery and Howard Blum. Both volunteered reports of a *Times* plan for immediate publication of a libelous attack on presidential candidate LaRouche. They added that this attack had been prepared in cooperation with elements of the Carter administration's Justice Department, and would enjoy cooperation from Cong. Elizabeth Holtzman (D-N.Y.), a member of the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration, Refugees, and International Law. They stated that since the Carter administration had no basis for legal prosecution against LaRouche and his friends, a nationwide press climate, created through publication of libels originating with the *New York Times*, would be used to create a climate in which the Justice Department would be able to bankrupt LaRouche and businessmen friendly to him through harassing forms of investigation and prosecution.

The publication of the leading points of evidence obtained through crosschecking the volunteered statements of Montgomery and Blum caused the *Times* to change its tactics. The new tactic involved using an obscure weekly, *Our Town*, to originate the libels. *Our Town* is edited by the convicted felon Ed Kayatt, a protege of Roy Cohn.

Following *Our Town* publication of the libels, the *Times* published a two-part feature series under the byline of Blum and Montgomery, based chiefly on the in-print libels published by *Our Town*. By this legal tactic, the *Times* was able to use its willingness to spend millions in fighting the libel case it incurred to dissuade LaRouche from diverting millions from his campaign required to prosecute the libel case against the *Times'* millions. In an editorial, the *Times* confirmed that the purpose of the libels' publication was an effort to neutralize LaRouche's presidential candidacy by means of defamation and incited federal government harassment.

Subsequently, during the last weeks of the New Hampshire presidential primary campaign, various major nationwide publications issued multithousand-word libels against LaRouche based on the *Our Town* libels. These included the *Washington Post*, the *Baltimore Sun*, the *Los Angeles Times*, and *People* magazine. Meanwhile, *Our Town* slanders were repeatedly conducted into every daily newspaper in the state of New Hampshire, despite libel action in progress against *Our Town*, chiefly through direct approaches to those publications by the Mossad's ADL operatives. Despite the libel and other harassment, name-by-name canvasses proved that LaRouche received at least 17 percent of the New Hampshire vote, while exit polling on election day proved statistically that LaRouche received more probably between 23 percent and 24 percent of the total vote.