

Editorial

Dirty money

Since this magazine was founded 12 years ago, we have relentlessly exposed the financial and political networks "above suspicion" which rake in fabulous profits—and fabulous power—from illegal drugs, real estate speculation, gambling, prostitution, and other such activities.

It is no accident that today, as the United States and world economy teeter on the brink of total financial blowout due to years of looting of real agricultural and industrial production by the dirty-money networks, *EIR* and its founder Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr. are coming under international attack from the old, treasonous monied families whose dirty laundry we have been revealing for years.

Of course, the Boston "Brahmins" who have been selling out the United States to the British and Swiss banking aristocrats for generations, would prefer to maintain a cloak of legality and respectability. But now that their very species is endangered by the spread of LaRouche's persuasive ideas about putting the world monetary system on the sound, healthy footing of the "American System" economics that made the United States a great, prosperous industrial power, they have abandoned all pretenses of legality.

The kind of gangster behavior that keeps whole populations terrorized in the underdeveloped countries and in the (rapidly expanding) pockets of poverty in the United States itself, is being openly wielded to attempt to crush LaRouche and his associates.

In Venezuela, David Rockefeller's cronies in the Cuban DGI-linked Cisneros "business" dynasty responded to the evidence linking them to illegal-drug profits in a recent *EIR* book, by seizing and burning copies of the book, and jailing and subsequently deporting *EIR*'s correspondents from Caracas without a figleaf of legal justification. Needless to say, the Cisneros family have yet to put out a single word of refutation of the explosive charges in the book.

In Boston, U.S. Attorney William Weld is the point-man for a politically motivated financial harassment operation and fishing expedition against LaRouche's 1984 presidential campaign and organizations associated with LaRouche. Now, the amount of money in-

involved in the alleged "misdeeds" by the LaRouche campaign organization, being pursued so ferociously by Weld, is peanuts—especially compared to the **\$1.22 billion** in cash transactions from 1980 to 1984 that First National Bank of Boston pleaded guilty to failing to report, in a clamorous case of dirty-money laundering that made headlines across the United States in early February.

Yet, the ambitious Mr. Weld allowed First National Boston to plea-bargain, and it wound up with a \$500,000 fine. And Weld told the press he's unlikely to bring other charges against the bank or its personnel in the near future!

There may be strong motives for Mr. Weld's softness on the "respectable" dirty-money bank. When Weld ran for his present office in 1982, among his financial contributors was Edgar Bronfman, the Canadian liquor and real estate tycoon exposed in *EIR*'s book *Narcotráfico, S.A.*, for deep ties to the illegal-drug crime syndicate.

Among the three major Swiss banks with which First National Boston was dealing was Crédit Suisse of Switzerland. It turns out that U.S. Attorney Weld's family investment house, White, Weld merged with Crédit Suisse during the past decade, and then was largely absorbed into First Boston-Crédit Suisse investment house.

What is Crédit Suisse? Well, it was among the holding agencies exposed by the French intelligence bureau, SDECE, in the 1960s for laundering "hit money" to the OAS assassination network that plotted to kill French President de Gaulle. That puts the bank right in the midst of the Swiss-based illegal-drugs-and-terrorism business run since World War II by old Nazi networks, as *EIR* has documented in exposés of "Dope, Inc." for years.

The "war on drugs" has to begin at the top, by banishing the dirty-money families from political influence and office. Only in that way can the United States and its allies in both the industrialized and developing nations get down to the business of reorganizing the world monetary system, which is the most urgent item on the agenda of the human race this year.