

Editorial

Make the liars and budget-cutters act

The implementation of at least one aspect of the emergency program *EIR* and LaRouche have spent two years advancing to combat AIDS, universal screening and reporting of cases, is now just a matter of time. Virtually every figure and institution which has been conducting a political witchhunt against LaRouche and associates, with our AIDS program the featured reason, is now, little by little, reversing themselves on the issue, or has been caught lying.

- The March 25 *Washington Post* carried two full pages on AIDS, revising the estimated number of cases upward, and acknowledging that AIDS is not a "venereal" disease peculiar to homosexuals, but the most deadly disease ever known to man. There was even a commentary by a liberal supporter of "gay" causes, saying there will have to be testing.

- An official in Surgeon General C. Everett Koop's office has admitted that their lying about AIDS is to avoid "sheer national panic."

- In a March 25 speech, AIDS expert Dr. Robert Gallo, who formerly denounced us for speaking of AIDS' "casual transmission," said he could not rule out that possibility in the future.

- Surgeon General Koop lashed out at Gallo for his remarks, saying, "The information Dr. Gallo gave and implied concerns me, because it will provide ammunition for our critics on the political right"—namely, this magazine and LaRouche.

- In a conversation with British AIDS expert Dr. John Seale, Germany's alleged expert Friedrich Deinhardt admitted that he had no basis for the "facts" he is promulgating about AIDS.

- Virtually weekly, Congress is being presented with new bills on AIDS. Sen. William Armstrong (R-Colo.) introduced a bill on March 6 to make clear that contagious diseases do not have civil rights. Rep. William Dannemeyer (R-Calif.) has introduced an identical bill.

We're not surprised at all this. We have always based ourselves on reality and natural law. Our enemies based themselves on lies. Because of their lying, their

massive mobilization to defeat Proposition 64 in California, their "safe sex" campaigns—which continue, despite the above signs of shift—there is at this moment a very real probability that the human race faces extinction. The sheer force of this reality, insisted upon by LaRouche and *EIR* for two years now, proudly qualifying us as "political extremists," is forcing the liars, the budget-cutters, even the quacks at the Centers for Disease Control, to shift their position, little by little.

The problem is, "little by little" is still too little. We need crash implementation of a "classic" public health program, the kind our government used to implement back when some rationality obtained in the institutions and individuals of government.

Otherwise, two issues are now being posed by the reality of the lightning spread of AIDS.

- Africa: The horrible economic conditions produced by the World Bank, International Monetary Fund, and complicit "financiers" and governments, including the U.S. government, must be reversed by a crash development program there, focused on great infrastructure projects. Otherwise, even the most effective measures of quarantine and prevention won't save us from the biological holocaust springing from that devastated continent.

- A Biological Strategic Defense Initiative. Warranted is a crash program of research, centered on "optical biophysics" and international cooperation, to find out what viruses like this one, and life itself, are all about.

There is only one program on the table outlining the scope and indicated focus of such a research program, that of LaRouche, outlined in his recent presidential campaign publication, "My Program Against AIDs." Again, there is only one program outlining the needed form of international cooperation, outlined by LaRouche in *EIR*'s Oct. 24, 1986 issue, "Parameters for U.S.-Soviet talks on the AIDS pandemic."

All right, so we are fully vindicated by developments. That's little consolation unless we intensify our efforts to force the liars and budget-cutters to act.