

Lyndon LaRouche announces plan to run for U.S. President in 1992

In a Thanksgiving message on Nov. 22, statesman, economist, and jailed political prisoner Lyndon LaRouche announced his candidacy for 1992 for President of the United States.

It is appropriate that I announce now that I shall put forth my candidacy for election in 1992 now as an indispensable means for giving institutional focus to the role of intellectual and related leadership which the United States in particular needs at this time of great peril.

I look around me and I see that nowhere in the United States is presently visible any pole of leadership which either is or might function as a central radiating point of competence in providing alternatives to the disaster which the Bush administration in particular represents. There are a number of points on the political horizon where people are presenting useful ideas, or re-radiating useful ideas, or in the process of discussing ideas which are useful; but the essential characteristics, the "make or break" issues, the life and death decisions, are visibly not comprehended by any other point of reference except that which I represent; and on the basis of other evidence, without my role it is unlikely that any pole of leadership in the United States would ever come to an understanding within the remainder of my lifetime of what is needed to save the United States.

In this connection, I am reviewing certain papers which pertain to my past record both in forecasting, in generally characterizing the period, in the general strategic assessment of the period, to show anyone who cares that what we represent and what I represent, despite any imperfection which might be imputed to what I've done in the past, represents by far the very best which the United States has offered in terms of understanding in leadership, intellectual leadership in particular, during this period over the past quarter-century.

So whatever happens, I shall do what I must. I must provide leadership, not because I'm so good, but because everyone else who might be good is still so very far behind me. The difference between my own competence and the inferior competence of other useful people, reaches the point between survival or non-survival of the United States.

So whatever some people think of it, I'm going to continue to do my job. And if anyone says, "But you're in jail," well, that stupid s.o.b. that put me here, George Bush, the one who is keeping me here, is responsible for aggravating every disaster. So obviously, anyone with any brains would prefer that George were in jail and I in the White House. Since that's not available right now, let's do the next best thing: maintain my voice of conceptual leadership, at a time when our nation has otherwise no effective leadership on the most crucial issues, which are life-or-death, make-or-break ones for the existence of civilization, and of the United States in particular.

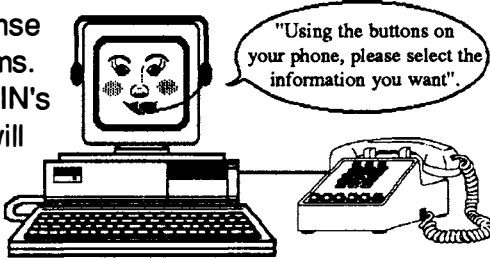
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