

# Shocking revelations on AIDS research

by Debra Hanania Freeman

Dr. Abdul Alim Muhammad, national spokesman for Minister Louis Farrakhan and the Nation of Islam, dropped a bombshell on the nation's capital at a mass rally held at All Souls Unitarian Church on Sept 8. Although the event had been planned for some time to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Washington, D.C. ministry of Dr. Muhammad, he turned the event into a report on his recent fact-finding mission to the African nation of Kenya.

Dr. Muhammad startled the standing-room-only audience when he announced that a research team working out of the Kenyan Medical Research Institute, led by the Harvard-trained immunologist Dr. David Koech, had made dramatic advances in the treatment of AIDS. Dr. Muhammad also charged that the U.S. government was leading a major effort by the international medical establishment to suppress this groundbreaking research.

Among those who packed the church to hear Dr. Muhammad speak on the theme "Can We Survive Genocide," were clergy from several denominations along the East Coast, civil rights leaders, community activists, leaders of the Nation of Islam, elected officials and political leaders from Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia, and hundreds of ordinary citizens. Amelia Boynton Robinson, author of the recently released book *Bridge Across Jordan*, was greeted with warm applause, as were Lawrence and Debra Freeman, who were representing jailed American economist and presidential candidate Lyndon H. LaRouche. The introduction of Washington's former Mayor Marion Barry—the man on whom the Bush administration spent millions to remove from office—brought the house to its feet in an extended ovation.

## A policy of genocide

In his remarks, Dr. Muhammad quoted extensively from a 1985 *EIR* article authored by LaRouche, "The Looming Extinction of the 'White Race'" (Vol. 12, No. 20, May 21, 1985). In that piece, LaRouche documents that the imperial policies intrinsic to oligarchism have set into motion the self-destruction of the population levels and economies of those "white" nations that have complicitly tolerated oligarchical policies—most specifically the United States and Great Brit-

ain. LaRouche states that since what the oligarchs call the "Great White Race" is dying out at an accelerating rate, and threatening the supremacy of the Anglo-American financial establishment, we witness a fanatically malthusian commitment to a policy of genocide directed against people of color; a genocide consciously implemented through the conditionalities policies of the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

"That," Dr. Muhammad charged, "is one of the reasons they've got him locked up; because he's got the guts to tell the truth."

Dr. Muhammad went on to present extensive evidence that the policy of deliberate genocide is fully operational. He described the CIA's support for the cause of population control during George Bush's tenure as Director of Central Intelligence, and reported the contents of National Security Study Memorandum 200, written during the Ford administration, which advised that the preservation of U.S. political and commercial interests "will require that the President and Secretary of State treat the subject of population growth control in the third world as a matter of paramount importance. . . ." To the amazement of the audience, Muhammad identified the authors of the internal memo as Henry Kissinger and Gen. Brent Scowcroft, now Bush's national security adviser. (See *EIR*, May 3, 1991.)

Dr. Muhammad used the case of Brazil, which has the second largest black population in the world, to prove that the memorandum was being implemented. "Today in Brazil, 40% of the women of childbearing age have been surgically sterilized with funds provided by the USAID," he said, "and 90% of those sterilized women are black."

He insisted that this genocide was the real agenda of Bush's new world order; that it not only motivated the invasion of Panama and the kidnaping of Gen. Manuel Noriega, but also the continuing murder of the nation of Iraq. He told the audience that these were just the opening battles in the war of the advanced sector nations of the North against the developing nations of the South. Dr. Muhammad denounced George Bush as a wicked man who cherished his membership in the satanic secret society Skull and Bones. He reminded the audience that the "skull and bones" was also the emblem on the flag flown by the slave traders who raided Africa, as well as of the latter day pirates.

## AIDS and 'population control'

Given the Anglo-American establishment's commitment to mass murder, the effort to suppress the promising research of Dr. Koech and his colleagues should come as no surprise to anyone, the Nation of Islam leader said. In fact, he contended, there is substantial evidence to indicate that AIDS was developed as a race-specific population control measure. Dr. Muhammad ridiculed the theory that AIDS originated when the virus made a species jump from the African green monkey to the African population. "We lived with the green monkey for thousands of years and never had any problems.

The green monkey isn't our enemy. The IMF is."

Dr. Muhammad, who is a trained surgeon, said he traveled to Kenya to see for himself what the alpha interferon derivative, which goes under the trade name Kemron, was really all about. Dr. Muhammad reported that he interviewed the research team in their laboratory, was permitted to review their data, and to examine AIDS patients currently undergoing treatment with Kemron and with a new, more advanced form of Kemron, the drug Immunex, which contains a greater number of alpha interferon components than the original drug. Dr. Muhammad stressed that although the new drug was only a treatment and *not a cure* for the deadly HIV virus, he was tremendously hopeful and encouraged by the dramatic improvement in the condition of those undergoing treatment.

Dr. Muhammad introduced Dr. Barbara Justice, a well-known New York City-based cancer surgeon who has sent 54 AIDS patients to Kenya for treatment over the past year. Dr. Justice reported that 97% of her patients showed marked improvement within eight weeks of beginning treatment, and that most were able to regain some degree of normalcy in their ability to function.

### The coverup

It has been almost impossible for anyone outside of Kenya to assess the work of the Kenyan team, which has been administering Kemron on an experimental basis in the treatment of AIDS since 1989, since it has been systematically blacked out of the scientific literature. Dr. Koech was to present his data, first at the International AIDS Conference in the United States in 1987, and then again at the 1991 AIDS Conference in Italy. On both occasions, his invitation was inexplicably withdrawn.

Last year, Dr. Koech decided to take his data directly to the U.S. medical community, and an extensive U.S. lecture tour was planned. That tour was abruptly canceled when the State Department refused to issue Dr. Koech the necessary permission to enter the United States.

This is certainly not the first time that important AIDS research has been suppressed. Quite the contrary, it is part of a continuing criminal pattern of lies and coverup. The importance of a rapid evaluation of Dr. Koech's work with Kemron and Immunex is obvious. Currently, the only treatment available to AIDS victims is the drug AZT; however, AZT therapy is prohibitively expensive and carries with it extremely destructive side effects, especially with prolonged use. Additionally, a recent study conducted by the U.S. Army showed that, for unexplained reasons, AZT therapy is not only largely ineffective in the treatment of blacks, but that, in fact, AZT seems to aggravate symptoms in an alarming number of black patients.

Kenya's President Daniel Arap Moi clearly finds the Koech team's findings to be convincing. He recently announced that his government was building a factory to allow the mass production of alpha interferon.

## Milk 'strike' aimed at Bush food policy

by Marcia Merry

Plans are taking shape for a widespread milk "strike" by dairy farmers on or about Oct. 1. This protest action reflects the revulsion felt in farm communities against the Bush administration's overall agriculture policy. So far, farmers in 15 states are involved. There will be a national meeting in Vermont Sept. 20-21 to debate dairy policy. Farmers are now getting 30% less per gallon of their milk than they were getting a year ago, and cannot stay in operation.

The Bush administration holds that low farm prices manifest the "free market" at work, and no remedy will be taken. Sen. Patrick Leahy (D-Vt.) and others in Congress have voiced objections to this, but so far they have been ineffectual in legislating relief. Leahy has recently announced new legislative efforts to relieve the farmers—two previous attempts failed during the last session. Leahy complained to reporters in August, "The administration won't raise the support price by even one cent to help our dairy farmers." The current floor price for farm milk, set by federal order, is \$10.60 per hundredweight (cwt, roughly 12 gallons). A year and a half ago, some farmers received about \$15 per cwt. At present, some farmers may be getting over \$11 per cwt, but this is nowhere near the parity price level needed to meet their costs, provide a return, and guarantee supply to the public. A parity price would be about \$26 per cwt. Most farm strike coordinators are asking at least \$17.

Some farmers are discussing dumping milk, but the more informed strike coordinators are working out plans to deliver milk to processing plants, and arrange to obtain milk-equivalent dairy products like cheese, butter, or dried milk to give to those in need. Farmers are discussing sending dairy foods to food banks, hungry children, and for shipment to children in Iraq. A series of meetings to organize the nationwide action has taken place in Pennsylvania, New York, Missouri, Wisconsin, and other states, with an eye to planning a coordinated strike action Oct. 1 that would dramatize the fact that dairy farmers are being ruined by the government-sanctioned low farm prices, while milk shortages hurt millions.

As of June, several Wisconsin dairy counties have declared themselves economic disaster areas. Even the U.S.