

## Economics is at heart of Mideast accord protocol

*The following is the economic sections of the draft agreement on Palestinian "self-rule."*

### Annex III

#### Protocol on Israeli-Palestinian Cooperation in Economic and Development Programs

The two sides agree to establish an Israeli-Palestinian Continuing Committee for Economic Cooperation, focusing, among other things, on the following:

1. Cooperation in the field of water, including a Water Development Program prepared by experts from both sides, which will also specify the mode of cooperation in the management of water resources in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, and will include proposals for studies and plans on water rights of each party, as well as in the equitable utilization of joint water resources for implementation in and beyond the interim period.

2. Cooperation in the field of electricity, including an Electricity Development Program, which will also specify the mode of cooperation for the production, maintenance, purchase and sale of electricity resources.

3. Cooperation in the field of energy, including an Energy Development Program, which will provide for the exploitation of oil and gas for industrial purposes, particularly in the Gaza Strip and Negev, and will encour-

age further joint exploitation of other energy resources. This program may also provide for the construction of a petrochemical industrial complex in the Gaza Strip and the construction of oil and gas pipelines.

4. Cooperation in the field of finance, including a Financial Development and Action Program for the encouragement of international investment in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, and in Israel, as well as the establishment of a Palestinian Development Bank.

5. Cooperation in the field of transport and communications, including a program, which will define guidelines for the establishment of a Gaza Sea Port Area, and will provide for the establishing of transport and communications lines to and from the West Bank and the Gaza Strip to Israel and to other countries. In addition, this program will provide for carrying out the necessary construction of roads, railways, communication lines, etc.

6. Cooperation in the field of trade, including studies, and Trade Promotion Programs, which will encourage local, regional and inter-regional trade, as well as a feasibility study of creating free trade zones in the Gaza Strip and Israel, mutual access to these zones, and cooperation in other areas relating to trade and commerce.

7. Cooperation in the field of industry, including Industrial Development Programs, which will provide for the establishment of joint Israeli-Palestinian Industrial Research and Development Centers, will promote Palestinian-Israeli joint ventures, and provide guidelines for cooperation in the textile, food, pharmaceutical, electronics, diamonds, computer, and science-based industries.

8. A program for cooperation in, and regulation of, labor relations and cooperation in social welfare issues.

9. A Human Resources Development and Cooperation Plan, providing for joint Israeli-Palestinian workshops

killing and maiming of Palestinian civilians.

**August 1988:** Iraq and Iran announce a cease-fire. An Anglo-American plan to foster a new war in the region becomes operational.

**August 1988:** LaRouche presidential campaign issues "A New Middle East Policy Is Urgent," which is circulated widely in region.

**December 1988:** PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat issues statement recognizing Israel's right to exist.

**October 1989:** Israeli economy goes into tailspin; an Israeli privatization scheme increases Israeli dependency on Anglo-American finance.

**December 1989:** Bush-Gorbachov summit at Malta provides for dividing up the Middle East between a Greater Israel and a Greater Syria. The summit accelerates plans to force some 1 million emigrating Soviet Jews to go to Israel

rather than the United States, and sets conditions for a new Arab-Israeli war. Some 1 million Soviet Jews are funneled into Israel over the next three years, altering the demography of the region.

**March 1990:** LaRouche warns of British plot to spark a new Mideast war.

**June 1990:** Israeli war-government of Yitzhak Shamir comes to power; United States breaks off formal talks with the PLO.

**July 1990:** LaRouche warns of British and Israeli efforts to trigger a new Mideast war; issues "Oasis Plan," again calling for emergency program to economically develop the Mideast.

**August 1990:** Iraq invades Kuwait following massive threats against Iraq by Israel, and following U.S. and British promises that they would not oppose the invasion. The Unit-

and seminars, and for the establishment of joint vocational training centers, regional institutes and data banks.

10. An Environmental Protection Plan, providing for joint and/or coordinating measures in this sphere.

11. A program for developing coordination and cooperation in the field of communications and media.

12. Any other programs of mutual interest.

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## Annex IV

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### Protocol on Israeli-Palestinian Cooperation Concerning Regional Development Programs

1. The two sides will cooperate in the context of the multilateral peace efforts in promoting a development program for the region, including the West Bank and Gaza Strip, to be initiated by the G-7. The parties will request the G-7 to seek the participation in this program of other interested states, such as members of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, regional Arab states and institutions, as well as members of the private sector.

2. The Development Program will consist of two elements:

a. an Economic Development Program for the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

b. a Regional Economic Development Program.

A. The Economic Development Program for the West Bank and Gaza Strip will consist of the following elements:

1. A Social Rehabilitation Program, including a Hous-

ing and Construction Program.

2. A Small and Medium Business Development Plan.

3. An Infrastructure Development Program (water, electricity, transportation and communications, etc.).

4. A Human Resources Plan.

5. Other programs.

B. The Regional Economic Development Program may consist of the following elements:

1. The establishment of a Middle East Development Fund, as a first step, and a Middle East Development Bank, as a second step.

2. The development of a joint Israeli-Palestinian-Jordanian Plan for coordinated exploitation of the Dead Sea area.

3. The Mediterranean Sea (Gaza)—Dead Sea Canal.

4. Regional Desalinization and other water development projects.

5. A regional plan for agricultural development, including a coordinated regional effort for the prevention of desertification.

6. Interconnection of electricity grids.

7. Regional cooperation for the transfer, distribution and industrial exploitation of gas, oil and other energy resources.

8. A Regional Tourism, Transportation, and Telecommunications Development Plan.

9. Regional cooperation in other spheres.

C. The two sides will encourage the multilateral working groups, and will coordinate towards its success. The two parties will encourage inter-sessional activities, as well as prefeasibility and feasibility studies, within the various multilateral working groups.

ed States and Britain use the invasion as a pretext to occupy Saudi Arabia.

**September 1990:** In an *EIR Special Report* titled *Bush's Gulf Crisis: The Beginning of World War III*, LaRouche stresses again that "without a policy of development, the Arabs and Israelis have no common basis for political agreement; no common interest."

**January 1991:** Anglo-American-led U.N. coalition bombs Iraq, kills 200,000 people, destroys \$100 billion of infrastructure.

**April 1991:** LaRouche's presidential campaign widely circulates a 32-page pamphlet titled "Demand Development in the Middle East! Stop Bush's Genocidal New World Order."

**September 1991:** Under the direction of Lyndon LaRouche and his wife Helga Zepp-LaRouche, the Schiller

Institute issues a policy proposal titled "For a True Fourth U.N. Development Decade: A Concrete Solution to the World Economic Breakdown Crisis; a Discussion Paper for the 46th Regular Session of the U.N. General Assembly." LaRouche's "Oasis Plan" is prominently featured.

**October 1991:** Madrid peace conference brings together Israel and its Arab neighbors under the sponsorship of the United States and the Soviet Union.

**March 1992:** A full-page advertisement by LaRouche's presidential campaign committee appears in the March 6 issue of the *Washington Times*, titled "LaRouche was Right; Great Projects to Develop the World." Among the 18 Great Projects referenced is the Mideast Oasis Plan.

**July 1992:** LaRouche representatives in Jordan widely distribute LaRouche proposals on regional economic development.