

## Editorial

### *The rights of men, women, and children*

On Sept. 5-13, 1994, the United Nations held an International Conference on Population and Development, in Cairo. The planners of the conference had intended to create a body of law which would allow use of U.N. Blue Helmets to enforce genocidal laws on the impoverished—whether whole nations or those people deemed to be an underclass. Social coercion to enforce sterilization and the withdrawal of medical services were to be the means favored.

Fortunately, a broad-based ecumenical alliance defeated moves to forcibly implement these proposals. President Clinton's opposition to allowing the United Nations to assume supranational, dictatorial powers was an important element in the success of the alliance. Unfortunately, Lyndon LaRouche's demand that the conference itself be cancelled could not be implemented in full; nonetheless, this was a significant, if limited, victory.

Now the United Nations is planning a followup conference, on the theme of women's rights, with the same kind of so-called structural reforms—which are prescriptions for genocide—embedded within it. This, the United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women, is scheduled to be held in Beijing on Sept. 4-15.

The ideology underlying both conferences, the axiomatic belief structure used to justify these degenerate events, is a pagan counterposition to the notion of the sanctity of human life. The belief shared by Christians, Jews, and Muslims, that man is created in the image of God, is absolutely counter to the pagan notion that the worth of man is on a par with that of animals.

In *Evangelium Vitae* released on April 6, Pope John Paul II expressed the absurdity of pretending to defend human rights while supporting a bestial notion of humanity, which denies families the basic means to support a decent life for themselves, their unborn children, and those too old to fend for themselves. In it, he wrote: "Those noble proclamations [on human rights] are unfortunately contradicted by a tragic repudiation of them in practice. . . . How can we reconcile these declarations with the refusal to accept those who are weak and needy, or elderly, or those who have just been conceived?"

The Beijing Conference is a thinly disguised cover for the same genocidal policies which were advocated, if not enforced, at Cairo, which is clear in the Draft Platform for the conference now being circulated. It is important to recognize that the term "sustainable development" is coded language, a demand that International Monetary Fund conditionalities be accepted in order to prioritize payment of debt, on the one hand, over investment in social welfare and infrastructure development on the other. Reference to environmental concerns functions in the same way.

That is what the draft document really means when it states: "The major cause of the continued deterioration of the global environment is the unsustainable patterns of consumption of production, particularly in industrialized countries, which is a matter of grave concern, aggravating poverty and imbalances. Therefore, equitable social development that recognizes empowering people living in poverty, to utilize environmental resources sustainably is a necessary foundation for sustainable development."

The Beijing Conference comes at a time of growing recognition that the world financial system is approaching blow-out. Some form of bankruptcy reorganization is inevitable. The question is: Who is to pay the price? Events like the U.N. Conference on Women are intended to foment cultural degeneracy in order to undermine any organized resistance to the imposition of a bankers' dictatorship. The conference should certainly be stopped if possible, but even more important is to foster a recognition of the only kind of bankruptcy reorganization which can defend the sanctity of all human life.

Lyndon LaRouche is catalyzing an increasing number of people around the world to understand what must be done. This involves governments putting their central banks, which now function in the interest of private speculative interests, into bankruptcy, and using emergency powers to establish viable national currencies and national banks based on rebuilding the physical economy. Only in this way can all human rights, including those of women, be protected.