

## George Shultz: Godfather of Bush's 'Vulcans'

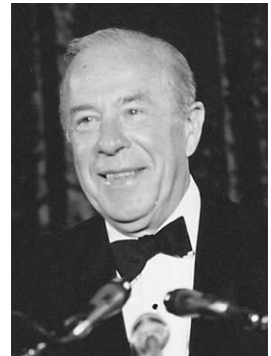
Former Reagan Administration Secretary of State (1982-89) George Pratt Shultz was tapped by Texas Gov. George "Dubya" Bush to launch his Presidential Exploratory Committee in 1999. At the time, Shultz was a Distinguished Fellow at the Hoover Institution on War, Peace, and Revolution, where Condoleezza Rice frequently served as a Senior Fellow.

Assisting Shultz on the Exploratory Committee was former Bush Administration Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney, who is today the GOP Vice-Presidential nominee. Thus, Dubya called in the Republican "Old Guard" of the Reagan and Bush Administrations to explore his chances of being elected President.

Shultz's greatest crimes occurred after he left office and from the Ivory Towers of the Hoover Institution. According to *EIR's* Special Report, *Bush's Surrender to Dope, Inc.: U.S. Policy Is Destroying Colombia*, Shultz had already called for drug legalization in October 1989.

In an Oct. 7, 1989 address to the Stanford Business School, Secretary Shultz told alumni that the time had come "to make it possible for addicts to buy drugs at some regulated place at a price that approximates their cost." Shultz argued that the "criminal justice approach" to fight-

ing drugs had failed, because what drives the drug trade is simply the economic marketplace. "These [criminal justice] efforts wind up creating a market where the price vastly exceeds the cost. With these incentives, demand creates its own supply and a criminal network along with it. . . . We're not going to get anywhere until we can take criminality out of the drug business. . . . We need at least to consider and examine forms of controlled legalization of drugs."



During the 1990s, Shultz began to campaign with "mega-speculator" George Soros to legalize drugs in the United States, through a series of state referenda. He worked with Soros's Lindesmith Center, which is named after a British detective who claimed that drug abuse was a "victimless crime," in a series of state referenda to obtain "medical decriminalization" of marijuana. Moreover, some of the state referenda (e.g., Arizona) in which Shultz gave his support to Soros's minions, would have legalized nearly all Schedule I drugs, making it possible for doctors to prescribe anything from "crack cocaine" to LSD, if they erroneously believed that such drugs had a "medicinal" purpose.

This certainly qualifies George P. Shultz to be called the "Godfather" of the "Vulcans."—*Scott Thompson*

Norman Schwarzkopf, the Gulf War commander, exclaimed: "Wouldn't it be great for our armed forces and for America, if we could have another commander in chief named George Bush with Dick Cheney on his team?" Cheney, the Vice-Presidential candidate, was Defense Secretary during the Gulf War. Another speaker, Gen. Sir Colin Powell, was then Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

In the 2000 GOP Platform, the section entitled "Principled American Leadership" features the following foreign and security policy elements:

- The prime enemy image is the "rogue state"; the regimes of such "rogue states" are to be removed.
- "Protecting the Fellowship of Freedom from Weapons of Mass Destruction," means that "America must deploy effective missile defenses." The Anti-Ballistic Missile (ABM) treaty is characterized as "obsolete," and expanded National Missile Defense (NMD) is to be deployed. If a "negotiated agreement" to end the ABM treaty cannot be reached, the President will break it within six months, as allegedly allowed by the treaty.
- China is repeatedly identified as an American adver-

sary. The Platform makes the lurid claim, echoing 1950s McCarthyite propaganda, that "the [Clinton] Administration's failure to guard America's nuclear secrets is allowing China to modernize its ballistic missile force, thereby increasing the threat to our country and to our allies. The theft of vital nuclear secrets by China, represents one of the greatest security defeats in the history of the United States." Later, the Platform states that "America's key challenge in Asia is the People's Republic of China. . . . China is a strategic competitor, not a strategic partner."

- As if the 1950s Korean War never ended, and as if current moves toward North-South Korean reconciliation were not taking place, the Platform attacks North Korea as being "outside the international system," and calls on Americans, vis-à-vis the Korean Peninsula, to "honor the sacrifices of the past and remain prepared to resist aggression today."
- The Platform insists on radical NATO expansion, not only for Europe (notably the Baltic states), but into the Middle East and the Caucasus/Central Asia region as well: "We seek greater cooperation within NATO, to deal with the geopolitical problems of the Middle East and Eurasia."