

Editorial

Stopping George Bush's End-Game

To readers of *EIR*, the incoming President's unprovoked attack on Iraq should have come as no surprise. Lyndon LaRouche warned you three times this year—on January 5, January 20, and January 27—that the new Administration would pursue a Middle East war, and *EIR* warned you editorially, in our February 9 issue. We also told you why this would happen: Faced with the disintegration of the world economy, which is sending the world into the deepest depression in centuries, the Bush Administration is desperate to try to assert its power, against any combination of nations which wants to resist the looting, and against reality itself.

Ultimately, we can be sure that the Bush Administration's efforts will fail, and that the Administration itself will self-destruct. This Administration is playing a losing end-game. The problem is that, when it blows up, anything standing near it can be severely injured.

So, the question is, what can reasonable citizens do to prevent this disaster? How do we prevent the doomed Bush Administration from taking the United States and the world down with it? LaRouche answered these questions in his keynote presentation at the Presidents' Day Conference of the Schiller Institute and International Caucus of Labor Committees, which is available on *EIR*'s website, www.larouchepub.com.

There are three answers to the question about what to do. The first answer lies in rallying around a strategic policy, whereby the United States will ally with the leading nations of Eurasia—especially Russia, India, and China—toward a perspective of long-term economic development. Western continental Europe is already pursuing such long-term arrangements, with the understanding that they are essential to its survival. And, in fact, such an approach is in the self-interest of the United States as well.

If the United States would join with a Russia-China-India combination, which is itself linked up with leading nations of Western Europe, Central Asia, and other Asian nations, then this planet has a chance. With *that* kind of United States, then the problems

of the rest of the planet—Ibero-America and Asia, in particular—can be addressed. Without it, they cannot.

As LaRouche put it, "Let's go out and make the deal."

The second answer, lies in getting Americans to understand that we once had a policy, as from 1933 to 1965, which worked, despite all its faults. Therefore, we have to return to that policy, essentially the General Welfare policy of the Franklin Roosevelt Administration, immediately, as opposed to the post-1966 "Southern Strategy," which is leading us into total collapse.

The third answer that LaRouche laid out, appears more difficult, but it is nonetheless essential to the other two. We have to change the American people, from a group of wild-eyed fundamentalists who see themselves as slaves, begging at the master's back door, into a citizenry which actually understands itself as made in the image of God. The problem is, that a large portion of the American population believes itself to be human cattle. So, it is necessary have a movement, a moral movement, which provides the kind of cultural activity, educational process, and life, which will uplift people to see themselves as individuals with sovereign, thinking minds—that very quality which sets them above the beasts.

LaRouche concluded this way: You need to get a voice going out from the United States, into China, Korea, Japan, Southeast Asia, India, Central Asia, Europe, Africa, Central and South America, which calls for these long-term partnerships that will bring economic prosperity and justice to the world. "Then you will get a response, a lifting-up of eyes and hopes among people who are desperately oppressed now, who will say, 'We have a friend, inside the United States. Let's hope he takes over.'"

In other words, don't focus on Bush. He's only an impediment, though a dangerous one, to what must be done. Build the movement around the necessary policies, on a national and international level. That is the pathway to a successful conclusion to George W. Bush's end-game.