

Editorial

Washington Is the Terrorists' Next Target

Following the armed and bloody battles between tens of thousands of anarchists and terrorists, and Genoa, Italy's police during the G-7 Summit, the next target of the terrorist international is Washington, D.C., in September.

EIR has tracked the growing threat of the new "anti-globalization" terrorist international, in its columns since 1997. In our next issue, we will present a dossier on these anarchist-terrorist formations, and the cash of drug mafias and "green billionaires" that are paying for the larger and larger riots. It is a problem to be attacked and solved, not merely "held off" in more and more bloody battles by thousands of riot police.

But in order to attack it, the leaders of the United States and Western Europe would have to openly address what everyone knows is the cause, but which they insanely deny. The globalized financial-monetary system, as LaRouche forecast back in 1994, is now finished. Even the world's corrupt financial press can see, and admit, that the storm is hitting the entire world economy, already wracked by crisis after crisis since 1997.

Yet Bush and the other G-7 leaders at Genoa absolutely refused to admit any serious problem. According to German Chancellor Schröder, they would not even speak of the word "recession"—a whopping euphemism for the debt blowout which is laying off new tens of thousands nearly every day in one or another of the G-7 countries.

Thus, the "leaders" provided the spotlight quite obviously to the terrorists—like the town fathers of Hamelin in the story, who denied they had a rat problem until the piper came and took away their children. The Genoa summit was a farce which seemed organized for no other purpose than provoke more anarchist "anti-globalization" rage and more terrorist violence.

And what of Washington, D.C., the terrorists' next target? Its President is represented by Treasury Secretary Paul O'Neill's hysterical claims of a new U.S. prosperity, and by Bush's fleeing from even his own "gee,

things don't look good" statements of last Winter. And in the Congress, the Democratic leadership is in a worse betrayal. Since the time the Jeffords switch gave the Democrats a Senate majority and strengthened their position in the House, the Party leadership has disgracefully "gone bi-partisan Republican," as it did after 1996. It has abandoned the fight for electricity price caps and energy reregulation; it has abandoned its own *publicly stated commitment* to save Washington's public hospital, D.C. General, and instead let the closing of the hospital cost more than 20 lives, without a peep. It has voted overwhelmingly for every Middle East resolution which gives a green light to Israel Prime Minister Ariel Sharon to start the war he desires.

These denials of reality bring us to the verge of war on the last weekend of July. Lyndon LaRouche has issued a blunt warning: Ariel Sharon and the even more hard-line warhawks in Israel may launch their long-planned full military assault out of events set to center on Sunday, July 29. LaRouche commented on July 27 that "nothing is in the works" to prevent an early launching of an Israeli military assault on the Palestinian territories." Events in the Middle East conform to the desires of a faction of the Anglo-American financial oligarchy, so desperate about the fall of the global debt bubble, that they wish a war—a "clash of civilizations"—to drown any economic alternatives in chaos.

But more dangerous than any of the mad war schemes of the "geopoliticians" now, is the refusal to admit how close the world is to irreversible economic collapse and to general war. The shameless sloth of political leaders looking for "bipartisan deals" on the *Titanic*, when even the ordinary citizen can see it sinking, is the worst danger. It threatens all the Western capitals with bloody terrorism and worse. LaRouche's warnings in the July 24 webcast reported in these pages could not be more forceful and clear. Use our reporting to force leadership, at all levels, to heed those warnings while there is still time.