

Editorial

A Constitutional Solution

“We need a new system in Europe and world-wide, whereby the leading nations establish an alliance which must be based on two principles: 1) the idea that governments only have legitimacy, if they are committed to the General Welfare—a requirement which is already anchored in Article 20 of our Basic Law; and 2) a new world economic and financial order based on the principles of the Peace Treaty of Westphalia. On this basis, such a New Bretton Woods system of sovereign nation-states must be negotiated—an alliance which, acting as a community of principle and in partnership, will determine what the new system should look like. The old Bretton Woods System can, in the meantime, serve as the principled basis for beginning to undertake improvements in the interest of the developing nations.

“If Chancellor Schröder fails to announce such a program on June 13, I shall declare my own candidacy for the office of Federal Chancellor, because it is not acceptable that there be no Chancellor candidate who defends the General Welfare and the Basic Law. . . .”

With this June 10 statement, which is printed in full in our *Feature* package, Helga Zepp-LaRouche stepped up to fill the vacuum of leadership in the European political situation, in the wake of the resounding rejection of the Synarchist European Constitution in recent referenda. Her action, to defend Germany’s Constitutional commitment to the General Welfare, is a model for patriots of all countries, in a time of crisis that is equal to, if not worse than, that preceding World War II.

That statement applies as well to the situation in the United States, where the vacuum of leadership takes the form of the empty head of the occupant of the Office of the President. Under these extraordinary conditions, as Lyndon LaRouche has consistently pointed out, it is incumbent upon the U.S. Congress, especially the Senate, to take the necessary steps to defend the Constitution, by vigorously asserting the economic solutions to the crisis we face.

The problem lies with the fact that so few leading political figures today understand the American Constitutional framework which is necessary to solve the economic-financial crisis. Lyndon LaRouche and his associates have been virtual prophets crying in the wilderness

over the past 30 years, in not only warning of the dangers of globalization turning into global fascism, but also of presenting the emergency measures to be taken by the Federal government, in order to begin to rebuild the nation. At great length, LaRouche has put forward both the specific FDR-style measures, and the indepth scientific principles behind them, in order to educate both the electorate and the Congress. Much too often, the response was that people either denied the reality of the crisis, or just didn’t want to make the effort to understand the scientific principles required.

As the extraordinary events of the last six months have shown, LaRouche’s approach has begun to get the attention of leading Democrats in the Congress. An intensive dialogue, even in public fora such as international webcasts, has taken place on the specific measures that must be taken to put the economy back on track. The idea that the nation’s economic health depends upon mobilizing the physical economy, something which LaRouche polemically insisted upon throughout his 2004 presidential campaign, has finally begun to sink into the heads of individuals who had brainwashed into believing that economics meant money, not physical production.

The U.S. Constitution provides the framework for the Congress to act on these economic principles *now*, even as the German Constitution permits such a fight in Germany. The good news is that leading circles in the Democratic Party are moving in the right direction, toward working with LaRouche, but it is not at all clear that they are moving fast or far enough.

In this respect, it is impossible to overstress the importance of LaRouche’s webcast on June 16, in which he will address the specific measures that must be taken in Washington, D.C., which is the strategic pivot for saving the world situation. LaRouche’s last three webcasts played an indispensable role in making a Constitutional solution to the Bush Administration disaster possible. This one must be the occasion for a giant and decisive step forward, toward restoring a United States that FDR, and our Founding Fathers, would be proud of. Tune in to www.larouchepub.com for either the live event (1 pm Eastern Time), or the archive version, and take up your responsibility to shape history.