tion, the defendants pay scant attention to the real issues in the case. . . .

"The evidence that these defendants never intended to repay the investors was overwhelming. To say that the government, or anyone else, caused the defendants to be convicted because it was motivated by a desire to destroy LaRouche’s movement is to ignore the evidence in the case."

He concludes, "Nor will the court permit further discovery or an evidentiary hearing. After three years in which the defendants have had access to transcripts of numerous intervening state court hearings, had numerous investigators pursuing the histories of jurors and witnesses, and interrogated everyone remotely connected with the case, they have come up short. Further proceedings in this court are unnecessary."

World Day of Prayer

In response to this development Helga Zepp-LaRouche, LaRouche’s wife and the founder of the Schiller Institute, and Amelia Boynton Robinson, civil rights activist and recipient of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Freedom Award in 1990, issued the following call for a worldwide ecumenical day of prayer:

"The world is heading more and more towards an apocalyptic crisis, with conflict and war flaring up in many areas of the world. A horrible war is being waged in the former country of Yugoslavia, while terrible danger is looming in the Transcaucasus. Poverty, disease and starvation are taking an incredible toll, with twenty million people threatened with starvation in the immediate future in Africa alone.

"Also in the United States there are extremely worrisome developments. Because of a total lack of economic development, an accelerating crisis of the cities is emerging, of which the events in Los Angeles may only have been the foretaste. Judicial barbarism is reigning, as illustrated by the increasing number of virtually public executions, a travesty which cannot happen in a civilized nation.

"There is one man, who has devoted his entire life’s work to overcoming the source of all of these problems, by fighting for a just New World Economic Order based on Christian principles in economics. Such a just economic order would allow the development of all human beings living on this planet, all of whom are created in the image of God with inalienable human rights.

"This man, Lyndon LaRouche, has spent the last three and a half years as a political prisoner in jail in the United States, despite the fact that thousands of legal experts and parliamentarians from around the world, have expressed their conviction that he is innocent. Now the court has refused to allow a new trial to present an overwhelming mass of new evidence. So all legal routes are exhausted.

"We therefore call for a worldwide day of prayer between the 5th and 7th of June, when churches, synagogues, mosques, and temples should designate one minute of silent prayer for the freedom of Lyndon LaRouche and ask all people of good will to pray to God to intervene."

LaRouche Allies

On May 28, near the site where the conquistador Hernando Cortés first assembled the Indian army that won Mexico back from the hideous Aztec empire—in Tlaxcala, Mexico—a convention sponsored by the Ibero-American Solidarity Movement (MSI) drew together forces from most of the leading Spanish- and Portuguese-speaking nations of America and guests from North America and Europe, to launch a new movement allied to the ideas of the U.S. political prisoner and presidential candidate Lyndon LaRouche.

The opening panel of the convention must have sent shock waves around the world, as imprisoned leaders of the continent’s resistance to the fascist austerity policies of the Anglo-American financial interests, and to their all-out assault on national sovereignty, expressed their support to the gathering. Speaking from their respective prison cells by written and recorded messages were Lyndon LaRouche; Col. Mohamed Ali Seineldin of Argentina, the hero of the Malvinas War who is serving a life sentence for having led a military action in December 1990 against the Menem government’s betrayal of the nation; and prisoner of war Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega, who was abducted, tried, and convicted by the U.S. government in a monstrous military invasion of Panama which trampled on international as well as U.S. constitutional law. In addition, the imprisoned Commander Hugo Chávez Frias of Venezuela, leader of the February military uprising against the corrupt “democracy” of President Carlos Andrés Pérez, was represented by his brother, Adán Chávez, who attended the convention, brought special greetings, and read the program of the insurgent patriots.

Warm greetings and a blessing were also given at the opening of the convention from the Catholic bishop of Anápolis, Brazil, Dom Manuel Pestana Filho.
Launch Continental Movement in Ibero-America

One of the three resolutions adopted called for the release of LaRouche and the other political prisoners, in order to defeat the strategic threat to the continent. Another resolution denounced plans advanced by the United States to raise a “Pan-American” multilateral military force to invade nations of the continent and impose so-called democracies willing to carry out Washington’s orders.

As Fernando Quijano, editor of Benengeli, a magazine of culture and statecraft associated with LaRouche’s ideas, explained in his keynote address to the convention at “La Trinidad” convention center, the Ibero-American Solidarity Movement must be continent-wide (hence Ibero-American); a movement rather than a political party, since parties were developed as a liberal British instrument against national sovereignty; and for solidarity because that concept rests upon the ideas in St. Paul’s two Letters to the Corinthians, which inspired the evangelization of the Americas starting five hundred years ago.

That evangelization was carried forward by the cooperation of soldier, explorer, and missionary—an alliance of sword, cross, and sextant which today’s oligarchs seek to destroy, by disarming the continent’s military institutions, assaulting the Catholic matrix of its morality, and undermining the identity between reason and faith which inspired the voyages of discovery and the great city-building projects that ensued from them.

The convention was held under the banner, “On the Quincentenary of the Evangelization of America, Down with the Black Legend!” referring by “Black Legend” to the British-authored lie that the Hispanic troops and missionaries carried out “genocide” against the indigenous Americans and that Catholic culture rather than neocolonialism is the cause of the current genocidal level of Ibero-American poverty. The Black Legend is spread today by precisely those Malthusian, neo-colonialist forces, which, by imposing austerity in order to collect debt, and by protecting and nurturing narcoterrorism, are conspiring to impose a true genocide on Ibero-America. Its proponents, including official Washington, have become de facto apologists for the bloody Shining Path terrorists, who in the name of “indigenism” have declared total war against everything Western or Christian in Ibero-America today; and who were identified by conference speakers as the modern equivalent of the genocidalist Aztecs.

During the four days of the public sessions, May 17-21, over two hundred participants from a dozen countries heard and debated presentations on:

- the current world strategic panorama, highlighted by taped messages from Lyndon LaRouche and his wife, German political leader Helga Zepp-
LaRouche, and by a chilling report on the advance toward power of the unspeakably savage Shining Path band in Peru;

- the background of the evangelization of the New World in the Italian Renaissance; the Portuguese navigators; and the science and politics behind Columbus's successful crossing of the Atlantic in 1492; as well as the special contributions of Spain and the art, architecture, and music of Spanish dominions in the New World;

- a determined battle against the malignant lies of the Black Legend; and

- the science of Christian economy, developing especially the ideas of Lyndon LaRouche in his recent book, and amplifying these with discussion of the epistemology of science, music, the history of mercantilism in Ibero-America, and such key programs as LaRouche's project to colonize Mars and his "Operation Juarez" proposal to bury the International Monetary Fund and build a just, New World Economic Order.

The U.N. Conference on Environment and Development, dubbed the Eco-92 "Earth Summit," which took place June 1-12 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, brought into focus the battle between the forces of Western Christian civilization and those who are attempting to institutionalize an anti-human, extreme environmentalist New World Order. Fundamental to the issues raised, is whether man was created in the image of the living God (\textit{imago viva Dei}) and endowed with the responsibility to exercise dominion over the Earth and all other species, as proclaimed in the Book of Genesis; or, if we are only another species, whose multiplication and domination of the Earth is threatening the "biosphere" with extinction.

Crafted by the world's leading Malthusians, including Britain's Prince Philip, the Club of Rome, Jacques Cousteau, and the World Wide Fund For Nature, the conference was intended to bludgeon the developing-sector nations into adopting a policy of forced population reduction, while the advanced sector is made to slash its use of high technology for energy production and industry.

The summit did not fully succeed in its intent, however, because of the strong resistance of many developing-nation leaders, who smell neo-colonialism as the real motive of the so-called environmentalists; combined with the Vatican's staunch opposition to any measures regarding population control; and an aggressive organizing presence by pro-science advocates, including associates and co-thinkers of American presidential candidate Lyndon LaRouche.

**Strong Resistance**

The strongest intervention against the anti-scientific atmosphere dominating the conference was made June 6, at a press conference called by 21st Century Science & Technology magazine, whose editors are co-thinkers of Lyndon LaRouche. Here, Dr. Dixy Lee Ray, former governor of Washington State, announced the publication of the newly released \textit{The Holes in the Ozone Scare} [see review this issue]. Dr. Ray, who is also the former head of the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission and a marine biologist, presented the scientific evidence that contradicts the scare scenarios retailed by the world media, focusing on the natural causes of the ozone cycle in the atmosphere, and the real role of carbon dioxide in the so-called greenhouse effect. Her boldness in attacking these environmentalist shibboleths led the daily \textit{Jornal do Brasil} to label her "the big bad wolf" of Eco-92.

In a subsequent interview published in \textit{O Estado de Sao Paulo}, Dr. Ray said, "We have to truly ask ourselves, what prevented development from occurring in the South?" Her answer: economics, and science and technology. The economics "involves the International Monetary Fund and development projects that were in fact controlled and directed by the interna-