

# LaRouche: Reject Gingrich, Break With Britain

The world is in a condition of spreading conflict similar to that which heralded World Wars I and II, warned Lyndon LaRouche in his keynote address to a Washington, D.C. conference on Nov. 15. To avert a major war, Americans must put an end to America's subjugation to British policy aims, and return to the principles of the Federal Constitution, "the finest instrument of self-government ever defined."

The day-long conference, jointly organized by the Schiller Institute and *Executive Intelligence Review* magazine on the theme "Why American Voters Are Rejecting Gingrich," was attended by former members of Congress, current and former state legislators, mayors, and city council members from across the nation.

In his keynote, LaRouche, who is campaigning for the Democratic Party's 1996 Presidential nomination, charged

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## Defeat Newt Gingrich! Defend the U.S. Constitution!

*The following statement appeared with a list of endorsers as a half-page advertisement in the Washington Post on Dec. 12, 1995, sponsored by the Schiller Institute. It was drafted following the Nov. 15 conference in Washington, D.C. Signers included two former U.S. Senators and twelve former U.S. Congressmen, both Republicans and Democrats, as well as more than a hundred current and former state and municipal elected officials and dozens of labor, Civil Rights, and human rights leaders from around the nation.*

The shutdown of the Federal government, caused by House Speaker Newt Gingrich and his allies, that began on Nov. 14, is part of an overall, back-door effort by these Conservative Revolutionaries to impose their priorities on the nation.

Last spring, Gingrich threatened that he would force President Clinton and the American people to accept their

budget, and their Contract on America, by tagging items of the Republican agenda, for which he had no veto-proof majority, onto legislation needed to raise the debt ceiling. As far back as April, Gingrich boasted about bringing about a crisis in the fall, by shutting down the government, and pushing America into default, unless their extremist proposals were accepted.

As Nov. 13, the day that funding for the continuing operations of the Federal government was to run out, drew closer, the Gingrichites had made little progress in passing their draconian, Contract on America budget proposals, necessitating a "continuing resolution."

By tagging such items as an increase in the premiums paid on Medicare, as well as cuts in education, and funding for the environment, onto that continuing resolution, they thought they could blackmail the President into signing into law measures that were clearly

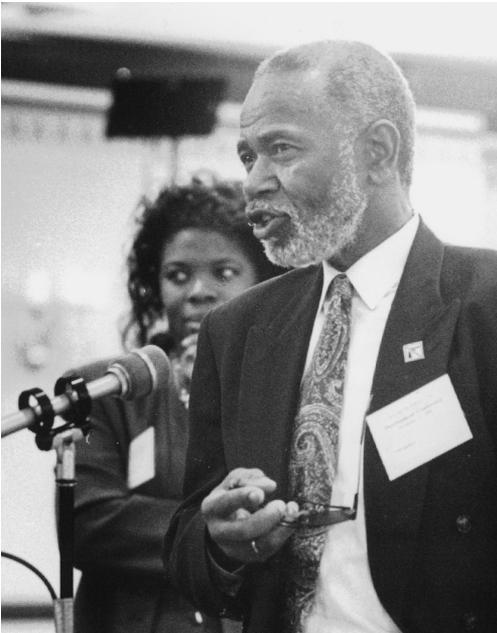
veto-bound if passed as ordinary budget bills.

The President refused to be blackmailed. He vetoed the resolution, defending the U.S. Constitution, which gives the President the power to veto measures not in the public interest, stating: "The Congress passes bills. The President signs or vetoes them. Then, the Congress can either override the veto, which requires the support of two-thirds of the Congress, or they can work with the President to find a bill that he can sign. That is the wisdom of the Founding Fathers."

That same Constitution, which Gingrich and all members of Congress swore to uphold, also affirms in its Preamble, a promise to "promote the general welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity."

The actions of Gingrich and his allies are blatant attempts to destroy that Constitution, first by pushing their

# LaRouche, Chavis, Former Congressmen Call for Coalition Against Gingrich ‘Contract’



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*Above: Mayor Thomas Barnes of Gary, Indiana, speaks from the conference floor.*

*Left: Keynote presentation by Lyndon LaRouche analyzes the economic crisis.*

Contract on America, which is an attack on the general welfare they promised to protect and promote, and then by trying to break the Constitutional authority of the institution of the Presidency by means of black-mail.

We, the undersigned, welcome the action by President Clinton, to honor his oath of office. We call on our fellow citizens, and those elected officials and organizations that represent them, to join us in an effort to defeat this assault on the general welfare of our people and our nation by Gingrich and his Conservative Revolution allies. Further, we dedicate ourselves to a major voter registration drive between now and the elections, to assure that we send representatives to Washington, D.C. who will fulfill the promise of the U.S. Constitution to promote the general welfare for all the people.

Lyndon LaRouche was joined by the Rev. Benjamin Chavis and former Congressman John Dow at a Schiller Institute press conference called to urge the building of a national coalition to defeat the policies embedded in Newt Gingrich’s “Contract on America,” and to elect a new Congress in 1996. The press conference was held at the National Press Club on Jan. 19.

Dr. Chavis, the National Convenor of the National African American Leadership Summit (NAALS) and National Director of the October 1995 Million Man March, led the press conference, calling for a “third political force that is not for sale” to replace the Republican “Contract” with a “covenant of good will.”

Chavis was followed by Amelia Boynton Robinson, vice-chairman of the Schiller Institute and a leading figure in the Civil Rights movement. She introduced former U.S. Congressman John G. Dow (D-NY), who played an important role in passing the 1965 Voting Rights Act and was a forceful, early opponent of the war in Vietnam.

Speaking last was Lyndon LaRouche, who denounced Gingrich for perpetrating the modern equivalent of “Nuremberg crimes” with his Contract, and urged that the nation move “in the opposite direction” from Gingrich’s policies.

In addition, written statements by three other former U.S. Congressmen—Clare Callan (D-Neb), Byron Lindberg Johnson (D-Colo), and Jeffrey Cohelan (D-Cal)—were distributed to the press.



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*Former Congressman John Dow*



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*Rev. Benjamin Chavis fields questions from the press. Seated: Helga and Lyndon LaRouche.*

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that Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich is consciously choosing policies which will lead to the deaths of millions—and could thus be tried for mass murder, as the Nazi leaders were at Nuremberg. LaRouche also urged American leaders to have the courage to put the U.S. Federal Reserve System through bankruptcy proceedings.

LaRouche sketched the combined strategic threats of the narcoterrorist armies, whose emergence was backed by George Bush and Margaret Thatcher during the 1980's, rampaging through South Asia and Ibero-America; the precariousness of Africa, where South Africa and Nigeria stand at the edge of civil war if their leaderships are wrecked by Britain; and the grave instability of continental Europe.

World terrorism—be it the “Islamist” brand of the mujahideen set up by Bush and Thatcher to wage the Afghan war, or the “Zionist extremist” brand which murdered Israel’s Rabin, or the “Zapatista” and related nominally Fidel Castro-run narcoterrorism in the Western Hemisphere—all leads back to London’s financial oligarchy, LaRouche asserted.

London still has an empire, he said—just look at the strategic metals, food supplies, fuel, and populations the British Crown controls through institutions like the Commonwealth and metals exchange.

In conclusion, LaRouche emphasized that we are not on Earth to react to the past, but to react to the future. Invoking the Preamble to the Constitution, and its beautiful pledge to “secure to ourselves and to our posterity the blessings of freedom,” LaRouche said that only the President of the United States can mobilize the world to deal with the financial collapse which is inevitably coming—perhaps even before the 1996 presidential election. “President Clinton has done a fairly good job in dealing with Gingrich,” he commented—and after an uncertain start, he is learning. Candidates and elected officials must present the reality the whole nation has to deal with, he advised, and “voters will vote for you if you inspire them.”

## MSIA Open Letter to President Zedillo

Mexican President Ernesto Zedillo cancelled his scheduled speech at the Jan. 14-17 Cancun, Mexico meeting of the Mont Pelerin Society, in response to an open letter from the Ibero-American Solidarity Movement (MSIA).

The letter documented that the Mont Pelerin Society actively promotes: (1) drug legalization; (2) slavery as a viable economic model; (3) the destruction of the sovereign nation-state; and (4) “free trade” policies which are based on the “philosophical” doctrines of Bernard Mandeville.

• Milton Friedman, the 1976 Nobel Prize winner in economics, proposed drug legalization in his book *The Tyranny of the Status Quo*, while acknowledging that “it could increase the number of addicts.” At least until 1991, Friedman was listed as the vice-president of the Mont Pelerin Society.

• The Mont Pelerin Society openly supports the so-called “cliometric” subschool of economics of Friedman’s University of Chicago. The leading cliometrician is Robert W. Fogel, winner of the 1993 Nobel Prize in economics, who has defended the chattel slavery that prevailed in the southern United States prior to the Civil War.

• Friedrich von Hayek, winner of the 1974 Nobel Prize in economics, is the founder of the Mont Pelerin Society and one of its main ideologues. In 1942 Hayek penned the essay “The Road to Serfdom,” later the title of his book that formed the basis on which the Society was founded in 1947.

• On Sept. 23, 1966, von Hayek gave a speech at the London Academy, in which he acknowledged that Bernard Mandeville was the real inspirer of the *laissez-faire* doctrines of Adam Smith.

## Fidelio Article Provokes Debate in China

An article published in the Fall 1994 issue of *Fidelio*, “The Taoist Perversion of Twentieth Century Science,” by Michael O. Billington, was translated into Chinese and published in Beijing by the monthly journal *Strategy and Management*. A scholar from the Beijing Library, Mr. Tan Bin, has written a letter to the editor of the Chinese journal, protesting Mr. Billington’s criticism of Bertrand Russell, Niels Bohr, Wolfgang Pauli, and Joseph Needham, among others. Tan Bin was even more upset by Billington’s denunciation of Taoism and its negative effects on science and culture, both in China and in the West.

Denouncing Billington’s defense of Confucianism as opposed to Taoism, and declaring himself to be a follower of Taoism, Tan Bin insisted that the universal principles underlying the phenomena of the universe

are beyond the comprehension of mankind, and even warned against applying human reason to the discovery of such principles.

Billington’s response concludes: “This is, indeed, the Taoist view, and Mr. Tan Bin would find essential agreement from Aristoteleans in the West. Just as the empiricists Galileo and Newton followed the direction of their Venetian sponsors by insisting that no reason could be found to explain physical phenomena, such as gravitation, and that none should be sought, so also Niels Bohr’s Copenhagen School of quantum mechanics insisted that no reason should be sought for apparently contradictory phenomenon in quantum physics. This school of thought, throughout history, has contributed nothing of significant worth to the advancement of scientific knowledge, while it is responsible for very much evil.”