

## SPECIAL REPORT

# USLP Presidential Candidate Larouche Declares He Will Pardon Patty Hearst

PARIS, March 22 (IPS) — U.S. Labor Party presidential candidate, Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., today denounced yesterday's conviction of kidnap victim Patty Hearst as a "monstrous travesty of justice," and committed himself to granting Miss Hearst a full presidential pardon as soon as he is inaugurated into the presidency next January.

Elaborating on the reasons for his decision, LaRouche stated: "There never was any doubt of the principal facts of the Patty Hearst case. She was kidnapped in the most violent manner at gunpoint, under the observation of a significant number of disinterested witnesses. The group which kidnapped her for ransom was led by a notorious police agent, Donald DeFreeze, and was partly composed of brainwashed graduates of the notorious Vaccaville behavior modification facility. Under the most aversive conditions, subjected to terror by a band of homicidal psychotics who had themselves been subjected to brainwashing, the captive Miss Hearst underwent a personality transformation of exactly the form any qualified specialist would immediately recognize as either circumstantially induced psychosis or deliberate brainwashing.

"In plain American speech," LaRouche emphasized, "the whole business of Miss Hearst's arrest and prosecution stinks from beginning to the end.

"I shall not pretend that I do not have some expert knowledge about the Hearst affair, nor am I surprised that a conviction was pushed through contrary to the never-refuted principal evidence in the case. If Miss Hearst's trial had been postponed to permit her to slowly recover from the effects of her torture before being subjected to trial, or if she had been given the vindication she deserved on the basis of the principal evidence, the result would have been a major embarrassment to a number of highly placed figures, including Henry Kissinger, Attorney General Edward Levi and others.

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"The chief point in the case is that the so-called Symbionese Liberation Army is merely another fruit of the same Atlanticists' political-intelligence dirty operations which also gave us the Italian Red Brigades, the Black September, the Japanese Red Army, the Weathermen, the Black Liberation Army, the Baader-Meinhof Gang, and the Jan. 1974 London Heathrow affair. We have corroborated direct information, including information received from the most highly placed governmental sources in several

countries, that all of these operations were either directly coordinated under Henry Kissinger's supervision or by NATO and related covert operations agencies politically allied with the same Rockefeller-associated faction for which Kissinger is the best-known protégé and errand boy.

"Any competent investigation of the National Security Council and Department of Justice connections to the Symbionese Liberation Army CIA-type operation would have inevitably uncovered the biggest and most hideous scandal yet exposed, which would bring down not only Kissinger and Levi, but heads of parties and governments' departments in a number of nations.

"For example," LaRouche continued, "we know that the Lebanese bloodbath launched during April, 1975 and continuing to this day, was the product of a scenario developed largely by the RAND Corp. Moreover, we have corroborated evidence showing that a significant part of the gun running into Lebanon, arming the Falange terrorists, was run directly out of the U.S. through the same drug and gun running networks which also supplied guns and explosives to the Symbionese Liberation Army, the Weathermen, and other terrorist groups controlled by Kissinger and such internal security agencies as the Treasury Department's Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Division, the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, the FBI and some military intelligence facilities. This overall operation of international terrorism is, at the same time, a completely fragmented network of variously overlapping and competing operations and also centrally coordinated in an overall way at the top. The result is that exposing any significant one of these foul operations will lead directly to exposure of many others — with investigations leading quickly to Kissinger and other levels of overall coordination of criminal domestic and international operations.

"It is no secret," LaRouche concluded, "that the Hearst family is not exactly a supporter of my political party. However, as a presidential candidate, I am legally and morally responsible to ensure justice for all our citizens and to have compassion for the personal injury and suffering endured by citizens who may incidentally be among my opponents. I acknowledge that a large part of the legal profession including many self-styled civil libertarian legal groups and individual attorneys have abandoned what used to be generally accepted principles of justice. I have not. Therefore, it shall be among my first acts after inauguration as president to grant full pardon to Patty Hearst."