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Dope Inc.'s Carlos Lehder exposed as a Soviet agent

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During the 1967-69 period, when Yuri Andropov's Soviet KGB launched what today is known as narco-terrorism, Carlos Lehder Rivas, a two-bit teenage crook known on the streets of New York as Joe Leather, or Colombian Joe, had just gotten his start in the dirty underground of Dope, Incorporated. The recent capture and extradition of Lehder to stand trial in Miami for narcotics trafficking, puts the spotlight on one of the best-crafted creations of the odd alliance among Eastern Establishment families, international bankers, the West's own intelligence services, and the Soviet KGB.

What comes to light as we investigate the 37-year-old gangster, the most high-profile and "political" of all the indicted members of the Medellín Cartel, is his role in the strategic operation to bury Western civilization. This is the story of the creation of a commander of the Soviets' irregular warfare against the West, and the support of his operation by the Western division of Dope, Inc., whose loyalty to the concept of an "Aquarian Age" makes the goal of destroying Christian civilization a joint project with their Soviet partners.

While Lehder is an avowed follower of Adolf Hitler, he is also a top business partner of Medellín Cartel financier Robert Vesco, who now resides in Havana, openly protected by Fidel Castro. Lehder founded a well-organized National Latin Movement, which advocates drug legalization, anti-imperialism, and environmentalism. The poisoning of the United States with drugs is one of his movement's stated goals. Lehder also founded a narco-terrorist army, the Quintín Lame, which is part of the Americas Battalion, the continental alliance of narco-terrorists which includes the Pol Pot-modeled Peruvian Shining Path and the Colombian M-19. The M-19 was paid by the Medellín Cartel in 1985 to seize the Colombian Justice Palace, to prevent the extradition of drug traffickers to the United States—leading to the murder of 100 people, including 12 Supreme Court justices.

EIR's 1986 edition of the best seller *Dope, Inc.: Boston Bankers and Soviet Commissars* profiled the Nazi-communist Lehder, and documented the Soviet takeover of the command of the new opium wars. But U.S. economist Lyndon LaRouche also warned in his preface to that edition, "Unless the hundreds of



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The people of Bogotá, Colombia turned out on Dec. 15, 1986 to honor Guillermo Cano, the anti-drug editor of the newspaper El Espectador, who was murdered by Carlos Lehder's dope-pushing Medellín Cartel.

billions of dollars of the drug traffickers are confiscated, and guilty bankers and financial brokers are sent to prison, the United States and Western Europe are helpless against terrorism. As long as such creators of the money-laundering system as Donald T. Regan are allowed to exert influence over the policies of our own and allied governments, there is no serious 'War on Drugs,' nor is there any against international terrorism."

The trial of Carlos Lehder Rivas must expose the board of directors of Dope, Inc., East and West, and provide the crucial intelligence on which to launch the final offensive of the war on drugs.

'We will bury you'

Since the release of the 1986 edition of *Dope, Inc.*, more information has surfaced on the role of the Soviets in promoting the addiction of the youth of the West. Those who advocate legalization, be they members of the Medellín Cartel or "citizens above suspicion," concerned with decreasing crime by legalizing it, are doing the work of the Soviets. The legalization of deadly narcotics would be the crowning achievement of the Age of Aquarius, the destruction of the West that Nikita Khrushchov dreamed about when he said, "We will bury you."

In an article published in the fall 1986 issue of *Strategic Review*, "The Expanding Threat of Chemical-Biological Warfare: A Case of U.S. Tunnel Vision," by Dr. Joseph D. Douglass, the case is made that the Soviet involvement in the drug trade is part of their strategic war plan against the West. "Overwhelming evidence exists of the Soviet Bloc as a piv-

otal factor in the international drug traffic—in particular, of the strong role of Cuban intelligence (DGI), which has been under Soviet direction since 1970, of Bulgaria as a major staging area for the traffic, of the participation of communist parties in Latin America, and of the numerous pro-Soviet and Cuban sponsored terrorist forces involved in the flow. In light of this clear record, the continuing failure or refusal to recognize the traffic in drugs as a form of chemical warfare is truly startling."

According to Dr. Rachel Ehrenfeld, specialist in narco-terrorism at Columbia University, the Soviets are the creators of the deadly cocaine derivative "crack," which is instantaneously addictive. This cheap drug, which has flooded the schoolyards of the United States in the recent period, is a product of experiments which took place in the early '80s in the Amazon Jungle. According to Dr. Ehrenfeld, Cuban, East German, and Bulgarian researchers experimented with Amazonian Indians, addicting them with crack, and studying the high death rate from the drug. They then decided to introduce the drug, at the cheapest possible price, to the U.S. market.

We back up this thesis below, demonstrating not only the details of Carlos Lehder as a Soviet agent, but how those other controllers of the trade in the West have determined to cover up this Soviet warfare. When the U.S. budget for the war on drugs is slashed by Washington bureaucrats, when the courts let launderers of billions of drug dollars off with minimal fines, to continue their trade as merchants of death, we must ask: Whose side are they on in this battle to save our children and our civilization?