

animal bodies alive. It is a prerequisite for *human* life, which, different from that of lower species, is dependent on the generation and communication of creative ideas, institutionalized in science and embodied in ever-advancing technologies. If the World Bank, as is clear, does not share this view, it should be excluded from any decision-making process.

Lyndon LaRouche drove the point home in his weekly radio interview with "EIR Talks" on Dec. 1: "The problem now, is the World Bank. First of all, one should look at the case of [French Nobel Prize economist] Maurice Allais's criticism of the World Bank's program. The World Bank has three qualities: It is evil, it is stupid, it is incompetent. When someone talks about a World Bank analysis, the World Bank is using an unscaled set of Von Neumann-style inequalities in a computer. If a human being were in that state of mind, you would put him in a canvas overcoat, stuff him full of Prozac, and have some people take care of him, and you would not particularly pay much attention to his technical or business advice.

"You should have the same attitude on the competence of the World Bank. An unscaled, incompetent set of inequalities, as a global model: You come up with a proposal, they take your proposal, they plug it in to this global model (if they even bother to look at it); and what comes out is a pile of garbage. And then they tell you, that you can't have the money, because your ideas don't look good to their lunatic global model.

"The problem here, is to get the World Bank out of the picture. We *must* provide funding which completely bypasses the World Bank. Going to the World Bank to assist development, is like asking Adolf Hitler to join a Jewish minyan. It's the same thing. So, just cut it out, stop the fun and games, get some money down there fast, some aid down there fast, through, generally, purchase credits, for services and materials, as they need them. The Israelis and the Palestinians know what they need."

Notes:

1. "Wasser als Konfliktstoff: Eine Existenzfrage fuer Staaten des Nahen Ostens," Arnold Hottinger, No. 6, 1992, pp. 153-163. The article also documents how the rebellion in southern Sudan was motivated by a desire to stop the Jonglei Canal project, which would have greatly enhanced Sudan and Egypt's supply of Nile waters.

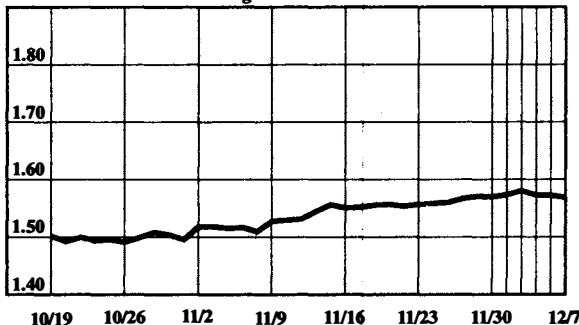
2. Estimates of water usage vary. A U.N. report, cited in *Handelsblatt* on Aug. 5, 1994, said, "Israel takes 67% of its needs from sources lying outside its 1948 borders, of which 37% from the West Bank and the rest from the Jordan River and its sources, as well as the Lebanese Litani River."

3. The *Jerusalem Post* on July 16, 1994 ran an article by Itamar Marcus, who acknowledged that control over the West Bank was related to water needs. The author presented a plan whereby "Israel does not have to hold all of Judea and Samaria in order to control most of the water. There are three regions . . . where pumping affects the water flow to Israel's wells . . . which amount to only 20% of the land. . . . To prevent a destructive loss of water, Israel should retain full authority over these areas during the autonomy period, and annex them to Israel as part of the permanent agreement."

Currency Rates

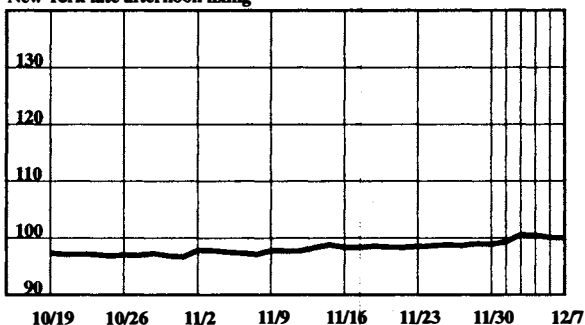
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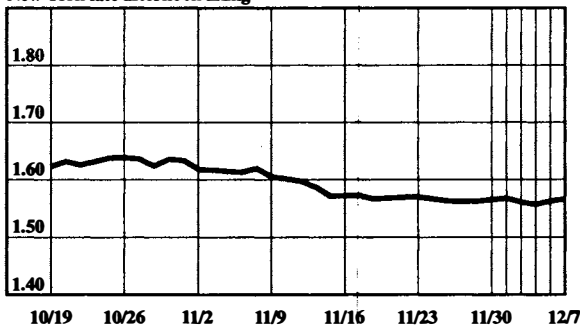
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