

State Department wants to bring back Shining Path narco-terrorists in Peru

by Valerie Rush

The U.S. State Department, in cahoots with drug-related financial interests on Wall Street and with the so-called "Project Democracy" crowd infesting Washington, is on a drive to overthrow Peruvian President Alberto Fujimori, who is considered the likely winner of Peru's April 9 Presidential elections, and to install in his place a "democratic" regime that would share power with the murderous Shining Path narco-terrorists.

Under the auspices of "protecting" human and civil rights, these forces are laying the groundwork, step by step, for declaring the elections invalid, and then imposing diplomatic and economic sanctions to drive Fujimori from office. A compliant President would then be brought in to sit down and negotiate Peru's future with jailed Shining Path killer Abimael Guzmán and other narco-terrorists.

If, dear reader, you think this is far-fetched, just take a look at neighboring Colombia, where the country's top political, financial, labor, and business leaders are conducting weekly pilgrimages into the southern jungles of that country, to pay homage to terrorist FARC chieftain Manuel "Sureshot" Marulanda.

What is President Fujimori's crime? Simply put, he has refused to turn his country over to Dope, Inc., as is happening at breakneck speed in Colombia. His uncompromising battle with, and defeat of narco-terrorism in Peru has made him a favorite of Peruvians, and an inspiration to patriots throughout Ibero-America. Fujimori has demonstrated that narco-terrorism *can* be defeated, that sovereign nations do not have to bow down to the international forces which run the drug trade. His ouster is thus essential to the plans of the Wall Street drug-legalization crowd, to impose a "New Opium War" against the Americas that will help them keep their moribund financial empire afloat a little longer.

'Operation Overthrow'

Despite a year of international denunciations that the tough-minded Peruvian President is an "outlaw" (London *Economist*), a "dictator" (U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright), "one of the most sinister, durable, and effective power regimes" (London *Financial Times*), and a "bully" (*Washington Post*), it has been clear all along that nothing short of a dirty tricks campaign would prevent the highly popular Fujimori's re-election for a third term in office.

And so, "Operation Overthrow" was launched. Project Democracy's National Democratic Institute (NDI) and the Carter Center sent an "observer" mission to Peru, then called a Feb. 11 press conference to claim that "the political conditions for clean and fair elections do not exist" in Peru. Specifically, they insisted that the country's electoral process did not meet "international standards." State Department spokesman Jamie Rubin endorsed the Carter-NDI report, and U.S. officials leaked to the *Miami Herald* that the State Department was pressuring the Organization of American States, which will be officially observing the April 9 elections, to prepare to declare them fraudulent.

On March 7, Acting Assistant Secretary of State Peter Romero and National Security Council adviser Arturo Valenzuela met with Peruvian Prime Minister Alberto Bustamante in Washington. According to a statement issued later by the State Department, Bustamante was informed that the U.S. government remains "deeply concerned about pre-election conditions in Peru . . . and urged the government of Peru to take strong and immediate action to halt" alleged electoral violations.

It was made clear to Bustamante that the State Department would only accept election results tabulated by the Peruvian non-governmental organization (NGO) known as "Transparencia," rather than any results claimed by Peru's official Supreme Electoral Tribunal (see below).

During an international press conference broadcast on March 23 on the Internet, simultaneously in English and in Spanish, Democratic Presidential pre-candidate Lyndon LaRouche stated forcefully: "[We have] the situation in which this atrocity of an organization called Project Democracy, which is really about as Democratic as the Democratic Party of Athens, that tried and executed Socrates, has moved into Peru, to try to *destroy* Peru, in favor of the drug pushers, in the same way they're trying to destroy Colombia. This is monstrous! But it reflects the insanity in the United States, and elsewhere, which causes some people, including some in Britain, quite wisely, to say, that, of the United States, it appears that the lunatics have taken over the asylum."

Project Democracy 'as bad as Hitler'

Asked by a Peruvian journalist to comment on the situation in Peru, and in particular, on the motivations of the

NGOs, such as the NDI and the Carter Center, LaRouche elaborated:

“Carter is essentially a front operation for what’s called Project Democracy, or the National Endowment for Democracy, which controls certain assets in the name of non-governmental organizations around the United Nations and so forth. This group, together with a bunch of others tied to George Soros, for example, who are for the generalized legalization of drugs, and international drug trafficking, actually, in Colombia and elsewhere, are committed to the destruction of the institution of the nation-state, as a sovereign nation-state, throughout the Western Hemisphere.

“We see that in Argentina; we see the threat of that in Brazil; we see that already happening in Colombia, in an advanced way. It’s happened in Ecuador through dollarization, which the present [U.S.] Secretary of the Treasury Larry Summers—I think he’s insane, but he’s for it. The destruction of Venezuela, which is in progress; and so forth.

“The same thing is happening in other parts of the world. People do not understand that the existence of modern civilization, with its present population levels, and its potential standard of living, is the result of the establishment of the modern sovereign form of nation-state, and the economic institutions that go with it, in the 15th century, as a beginning. Those who are trying to destroy the nation-state today, as Project Democracy, which controls both the Republican and Democratic parties from the top in the United States, is doing, as in Peru—this is something as bad for civilization as Adolf Hitler was back in the 1930s. The sooner we wake up and find that out, and act accordingly, the better off we’re all going to be.”

Peruvians are not unaware of Project Democracy’s gameplan. The deployment of “human rights” and “pro-democracy” NGOs as a cover for foreign assaults on sovereign nations, was furiously denounced by former Foreign Minister Francisco Tudela, who was a hostage during the 1997 seizure by narco-terrorists of the Japanese Ambassador’s residence in Lima. Tudela is currently a candidate for the Peruvian Congress. In recent public remarks, Tudela charged that NGOs such as the NDI and the Carter Center are attempting to “obtain a certain political docility, to make us do what they want,” and that they were using “the frivolous and ideological arena of globalization” against the concept of the nation-state and national sovereignty. To avoid falling victim to what he dubbed “neo-colonialism,” Tudela urged that “the ideas of the nation-state and of Ibero-American unity be strengthened.”

Lima Archbishop Msgr. Juan Luis Cipriani added his voice to the protest, charging that non-governmental organization “election observers” are invading Peru “with their particular agendas, their ‘lobbies,’ and the money they move internationally to impose their plan.” They want to “impose their way of life on the whole world,” he said, but “they are not welcome here.”

‘Transparencia’ of Peru: Project Democracy’s NGO hit-squad in action

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On March 7, Acting U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Peter Romero and National Security Council official Arturo Valenzuela informed Peruvian Prime Minister Alberto Bustamante, during a Washington visit, that the “Peruvian” non-governmental organization (NGO) *Transparencia*, and not the government of Peru, would be the only body whose election results had credibility in the eyes of the State Department. “Between believing *Transparencia* or you, we believe *Transparencia*,” Bustamante was reportedly told. *Transparencia*’s charges must be taken seriously, the U.S. officials proclaimed: They are to supervise the April 9 Presidential elections, and to provide the Organization of American States (OAS) observer mission with its election count.

One week after the State Department told the Peruvian government, “*Transparencia*, or else,” the head of the NGO, Rafael Roncagliolo, announced at a press conference in Quito, Ecuador, that *Transparencia* has decided—before any elections have been held—that Peru’s Presidential elections will be, *ipso facto*, fraudulent, as long as President Alberto Fujimori is one of the candidates. “We cannot consider the coming elections as free and just elections, nor legitimate nor democratic,” he said. He criticized the opposition parties for “accepting to participate in this process . . . [given] the unconstitutionality of the candidacy of Fujimori. . . . Whoever wins, democracy in Peru has already suffered a grave set-back.”

Impartial? Hardly. Yet it is precisely this outspokenly partisan operation, in which *Transparencia* is deploying a force of 10-12,000 observers covering some 80,000 polling places, which is assigned the task of assembling and releasing the first election results, before official results are in. And it is only *Transparencia*’s count, which the State Department claims “The International Community,” will acknowledge.

The procedure planned is known as a “quick count.” One of the founders of *Transparencia*, opposition Congressman Harold Forsyth, outlined in a March 19 article in the Peruvian daily *El Comercio*, how the “quick count” procedure was first used by the National Democratic Institute (NDI) and other Project Democracy NGOs, to secure the ouster of Philippines President Ferdinand Marcos in 1985. The “quick count” has since been honed as a key mechanism to “control the clean-