

son's (D-Wash.) campaign to link trade with the Soviet Union to Jewish emigration. In a recent *Newsweek* interview, Richard Perle described Sharansky and Jackson as his two heroes.

In point of fact, the Jackson-Vanik Amendment of 1974, which established the linkage between trade and Jewish emigration, was aimed primarily at busting up any further moves towards American-Soviet detente. According to one eyewitness, a deal had been already negotiated between President Richard Nixon and Soviet Premier Leonid Brezhnev, to allow Soviet Jewish emigration—two years before Jackson-Vanik, but it had been blocked by Senator Jackson and his allies, to allow him to push through the legislation and use it as a launching pad for his planned 1976 Presidential campaign.

In the same *Newsweek* story in which Perle was quoted, Sharansky boasted of his ties to the Washington neo-cons, dating back a quarter century. Sharansky named Abrams, Perle, Wolfowitz, Libby, and Doug Feith as his long-time collaborators, noting, "If you check their backgrounds, most of them were connected either to Senator Jackson or to the Reagan Administration or to both. And that's why, by the way, many of them are my friends from those years. And in the last 15 years, we kept talking to one another."

But over the same time span, Sharansky's ties to the Russian oligarchs have been just as tight; and this is of relevance to the neo-cons' recent turning up of the heat against Putin. One of Sharansky's oligarchical boosters, Boris Berezovsky, announced last week that he is moving to Ukraine, where he will take a personal role in a campaign to bring down the Putin government in Moscow. Another Russian Mafiya patron of Sharansky, Grigori Louchansky, who poured hundreds of thousands of dollars into Sharansky's political campaigns in Israel, has his own notorious ties to the Bush White House. A joint U.S.-European international criminal probe into Louchansky's Nordex Mafiya front company, turned up evidence that the real power behind the operation—and the source of its initial capitalization—was American financier and raw materials baron, Marc Rich. Cheney's chief of staff Libby spent a dozen years as Rich's attorney during the 1980s and '90s, when he wasn't in government as the deputy/protégé of Paul Wolfowitz.

### McCain-Lieberman

On Feb. 18, Senators John McCain (R-Ariz.) and Joseph Lieberman (D-Conn.) introduced a resolution, calling for Russia to be booted out of the Group of Eight, for its "backsliding" on democracy. The McCain-Lieberman duo had just led a U.S. delegation to the Wehrkunde annual global security conference in Munich, which was the scene, three years ago, of the launching of their drive to force President Bush into invading Iraq. Following the Wehrkunde meeting, they travelled to Ukraine, to lend their imprimatur to the "Orange Revolution," and to promote the idea that Ukraine's President Yushchenko, along with Georgia's new President Saakashvili, should be jointly given the Nobel Peace Prize this year.

McCain is the current chairman of the International Republican Institute, the Project Democracy GOP front group that was instrumental in the Georgia and Ukraine destabilizations of the past two years, and which is now targeting Moscow itself. McCain's Democratic Party counterpart, the chairman of the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs, is Madeleine Albright, the self-proclaimed "Wellsian democrat," whose father, Joseph Korbel, also mentored current Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice.

The "new Cold War" propaganda drive coming out of the Bush-Cheney White House and the Project Democracy gang inside both parties has reached such a frenzied pitch that even Pat Buchanan has come out warning that the prospects for long-term Russian-American friendship are being undermined by a faction at the White House that is out to start a new Cold War, which, Buchanan warns, can actually lead to perpetual war. Of course, perpetual war is precisely what the "Cheney Doctrine" and its new "Sharansky Corollary" are all about.

### Dick Cheney/Baroness Symons Dirty Tricks Revived

In August 2004, Lyndon LaRouche's Political Action Committee published the book *Children of Satan*, which featured an exposé and time-line, detailing a dirty tricks campaign against Lyndon LaRouche and the LaRouche political movement, run through the circles of Vice President Dick Cheney, and British Tony Blair intimate Baroness Liz Symons. While the media smear campaign, generated by the Cheney-Symons circle, ostensibly focussed on the death of a young British man, Jeremiah Duggan, the actual key to understanding the affair was the famous suicide case of British scientist David Kelly.

The links between the cases are detailed in the 17-page appendix at the conclusion of *Children of Satan*. In summary, the same Tony Blair, Baroness Symons, Dick and Lynne Cheney circles that launched the smear campaign against Lyndon LaRouche were all the enemies of David Kelly, from the time he stepped forward to expose the intelligence frauds behind the Cheney-Blair push for war on Iraq.

The Kelly-Duggan affair is seen internationally by political insiders as an offshoot of the close collusion between the U.S. Vice President and the Blair/Symons circles in London. The eruption of new slanders against LaRouche associates in the German media in recent days is but the latest manifestation of this ongoing trans-Atlantic corruption.—*Jeff Steinberg*