Prince Consort. According to the March 25 edition of *El Universal*, Palmer was in Mexico to finalize an agreement between Mexico's Interreligious Council (CIM) and the Fox government "to stop the eco-catastrophe," and to preside over a CIM meeting.

At the closed-door meeting, among others, were Jonathan Rose, CIM executive president; Manuel Gómez Granados, director of the Mexican Institute for Christian Social Doctrine; and Rodolfo Ogarrio, director of FUNDEA, a private organization for environmental education run by Manuel Arango, a member of the 1001 Club, which in turn is run by Prince Philip. Palmer told *El Universal* that the agreement between Mexico's government and religions "has been a fundamental step." This "augurs an important change" in the country in which "religions will be an active agent" in the fight for the conservation of the so-called national ecosystem.

The religions participating in these environmentalist efforts, Palmer said, have moved, little by little, from a dogmatic perspective to "a spiritual and ethnic axis" which allows for these groups' involvement. Palmer also runs the World Interreligious Council, of which Bishop Samuel Ruiz is a founding member. Ruiz, the Bishop Emeritus of San Cristóbal de las Casas, Chiapas, is the intellectual-religious godfather of the armed movement which seeks territorial autonomy and political self-determination, to control the region's natural resources (or to hand them over to the oligarchy's cartels, as the case may be).

Ruiz Proclaims Continental 'Indigenous Resurgence'

During a tour of Italy at the end of March, Samuel Ruiz told the newspaper *Il Nuovo* that "America is awakening. A wave of extraordinary energy is moving over the whole continent, pushing the indigenous peoples to lift up their heads. On the whole continent, from Mexico to southern Chile, from Alaska to the Patagonia, in recent months we've seen the signs of a real 'indigenous resurgence.' Oppressed since the time of the Conquest, which some call 'the Discovery of America,' people are becoming conscious that they are subjects of their own history: from the Mapuche Indians in southern Chile, who even demand certain governmental autonomy, to the Indians of Ecuador, and even Guatemala and Mexico," who seek to "create a true multi-ethnic democracy, and respect for communitarian laws and traditional pre-Hispanic customs," he said.

Ruiz added, "The conflict is between the indigenous communitarian spirit, which wants its lands back to fulfill itself, and the individualistic capitalism of the exploiters, which expropriates the land." While "Commander" Samuel said that "the consequences of this general uprising of the indigenous people can not be predicted," Palmer boasted that a good portion of the Australian natural reserves, the administration of which has been given to the aborigines, are actually run by Benedictine monks.

Stop the Narco-Terrorist Coup d'État in Mexico!

The following are excerpts from a statement by Marivilia Carrasco, president of the Ibero-American Solidarity Movement (MSIA) in Mexico, issued on March 27. A subhead has been added.

The Zapatista National Liberation Army's (EZLN) victory in being granted use of the country's most important political tribunal, represents a point of inflection in favor of the oligarchic forces headquartered in London and Wall Street, who created and are deploying the EZLN to destroy Mexico as a nation. The decision to allow "Subcommander Marcos" to address the federal Chamber of Deputies, was preceded by the submission of the Judiciary and of the Armed Forces, in beginning to fulfill the three conditionalities demanded by the EZLN: elimination of military posts in Chiapas, release of terrorist prisoners, and acceptance of indigenous autonomy. It comes as no surprise that this spectacle occurs at a moment in which the disintegration of the international financial system is accelerating, afflicted by a systemic and global crisis which, as has been repeatedly forecast by U.S. economist and statesman Lyndon H. LaRouche, has the power to erase entire nations from the map.

Under these conditions of financial collapse, the Anglo-American oligarchy is intensifying its offensive to seize the economic assets and strategic energy resources of the planet, at the cost of the indiscriminate genocide of populations, and the territorial splintering of nations. The "multiplication" of borders upon which "Marcos" and his bosses insist, is identical to that appearing in the maps that hang on the walls of former British Minister of Overseas Development (i.e., Colonial Minister) Lynda Chalker, which delineate the new borders of the micro-states into which the Anglo-American empire hopes to reduce the nations of Africa. The objective is to exterminate entire sectors of the black population by means of inter-tribal warfare, starvation, and AIDS, while "world government" takes control of energy resources, food, and strategic minerals. The campaigns for indigenous autonomy are an important element in this strategy, promoted from the centers of world financial power and embraced not only by "Zapatismo," but also by the Vicente Fox government itself.

To improve the lives of not only Mexican Indians, but of all the citizens of the nation, it is not necessary for the country to empower the EZLN. The hundreds of thousands of unemployed, the thousands of companies that have shut down, the return of thousands, soon to be hundreds of thousands of Mexicans who have been laid off in the United States because

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of the ongoing, dramatic collapse of the U.S. economy during the first 100 days of the Bush Administration—all of this is going to criminally worsen in the coming weeks and months, unless urgent measures are adopted to reorganize the national economy as a whole, and Mexico moves to take the offensive, to forge a new international financial and monetary agreement as rapidly as possible.

The Tyranny of Irrationality

The farce represented by the EZLN has nothing to do with defeating the causes of the extreme misery and genocide which the globalist and usurious policies of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank have imposed on millions of Mexicans, and with ever greater brutality on the Indian populations. The Romanticism — "It wasn't us, I swear. It was the People. Too bad."-that surrounds the famous hooded wonder and his hosts, is an effective artifice of manipulation, which has trapped important political sectors of the country, but which only serves to complete the slow dismantling of the institutions accomplished over the past two decades, in large part by globalist policies. The Zapatistas and their patrons channel the Jacobin fury caused by such policies against the institutions, and impose the tyranny of irrationality, in order to wipe out scientific truth as discernible by the human mind. This perverse Romanticism, which mixes together supposed indigenous causes with homosexual movements, drug legalization, and radical environmentalist campaigns, will feed the shock troops which violently oppose the most minimal efforts to restore national sovereignty.

If the EZLN and its bosses are not stopped now, Mexico will become like Colombia, or worse, in a matter of months. Just take a look at how quickly the U.S. State Department and Organization of American States "democrats" moved to destroy Peru's institutions, after overthrowing the government of President Alberto Fujimori, to get an idea of what awaits Mexicans. Once the narco-terrorist bands are given not only legitimacy, but also the right to humiliate national institutions before the entire world, the way is open to imposing one conditionality after another, as the FARC has done in Colombia, and for their foreign masters to demand, as proof of "democracy" and "pluralism," that the patriots who have fought these criminals, be persecuted. What we now see ongoing in Peru, we will soon see in Mexico, where it will not be the narco-terrorist assassins who are jailed, but rather patriotic soldiers, political leaders, and businessmen and merchants who have offered resistance to the EZLN. We are facing a virtual coup d'état, in which the Fox government is complicit; a coup d'état carried out by foreign imperialist forces using the methods of Adolf Hitler, who in a few short months had all of Germany subject to his will, while trampling the law underfoot, just as it is being trampled in Mexico, in the name of "the will of the people."

It is in understanding this, wherein lies the key to defending Mexico from this latest enemy offensive. . .

Now that Mexico's Congress has capitulated, the offen-

sive to impose indigenous autonomies . . . across the American hemisphere, will commence in earnest. Make no mistake! March 28 is the launching date for a new national and international offensive, to "bring autonomy into practice; to form autonomous towns and regions across the country," and then to impose a law of "indigenous rights and culture," with none of the limits envisioned by legislators. Indeed, the EZLN "commander-in-chief," Samuel Ruiz, is in Italy these days, pushing the idea of the EZLN at the head of a continental uprising of "Indian peoples," while Rigoberta Menchú is urging other nations to follow the example of the EZLN and Mexico, in adopting Convention 169 of the International Labor Organization (ILO). Mexico's Presidential Coordinator of Indian Affairs, Xochitl Gálvez, is reportedly preparing to go on the offensive in Congress — surely in coordination with the EZLN—by bringing ILO "experts" to bully Mexico's congressmen. At the same time, the so-called Third National Indigenist Conference, in which the EZLN participated during its "march" to Mexico City, resolved to notify the ILO of its resolutions, including the fight for autonomy and to prevent the development of nationally important infrastructure projects, such as the Cerro de Oro and Tamascal dams, in Oaxaca.

Convention 169 of the ILO decrees the bestial idea that Indians should be considered a species apart from the rest of humanity, and without saying so by name, establishes the conditions for granting self-government to Indian communities. It states that Indian peoples are "owners of their lands, including the natural resources and the environment," and defends their right "to maintain control over their own economic, social, and cultural development," among these "the strengthening of traditional subsistence activities, such as hunting, fishing, trapping, and gathering." Such conditions will assure the extermination of the population in general, and the Indians in particular... The result will be the surrender of the nation's natural resources... to the control of the Anglo-American sharks.

A constitutional reform based on the initiative that President Fox sent to Congress, would in reality force the necessary changes to Articles 27 and 28 of the Constitution, that would pave the way for deregulating the electricity, oil, and every other strategic resource sector of the country. Thus, we see the approval of the agreements with the EZLN by the government of George W. Bush, who . . . represents the interests of his family in the mega-speculator energy company Enron. . . .

The only acceptable, workable solution to this crisis that threatens the republic, is for Mexico to adopt a general reorganization of the national economy, based on draft legislation submitted by the MSIA, and to take up the international effort headed by U.S. economist Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., to establish a new international economic and monetary agreement, a New Bretton Woods. In the meanwhile, it is imperative to recover economic sovereignty over credit and currency, and to employ the powers of the state to launch great infrastructural projects that assure the sane economic functioning of the country, and avoid its "balkanization."

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