

Fascist Race Law Passes in Australia

Her Majesty's Privy Council has rammed through a law whose main purpose is to silence LaRouche in Australia.

Under cover of legislating to outlaw "racial vilification," a fascist law has been passed in the state of Victoria, targeted squarely at the Citizens Electoral Council (CEC), the Victoria-based associates of 2004 U.S. Presidential pre-candidate Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr. The Racial and Religious Tolerance Bill was passed by the Victorian Legislative Council (Victoria's upper house) on June 14, by a vote of 32-9, following its earlier passage by the lower house.

In a June 19 statement (see below), entitled "Australia and Hitler's Dictatorship," Mr. LaRouche excoriated the bill as an intent to violate human rights, and as legislation of the same character as the February 1934 decrees which first established the Nazi government as a dictatorship.

The bill passed only after fierce, almost unprecedented parliamentary debate, which was not reflected in the final votes; most of some 5,500 official submissions opposed it, and at least 10,000 citizens wrote letters of protest.

The bill decrees: 1) that a person is not allowed "to engage in conduct that incites hatred against, serious contempt for, or revulsion or severe ridicule of, that other person or class of persons," an intentionally vague, subjective clause which is capable of being interpreted as desired, while motive is specifically defined as "irrelevant"; 2) fines of \$6,000 for individuals, and \$30,000 for organizations, and jail sentences of up to six months, for such purely arbitrary "violations"; 3) that employers will be liable for their employees, and may be fined and imprisoned along with them; 4) that a "representative body" may file charges on behalf of someone else—which grants the bill's architects, the Anti-Defamation Commission of B'nai B'rith (ADC), the right to terrorize whomever they choose; 5) that the "offense" can occur inside or outside of Victoria; and 6) that authorities may use search warrants, including breaking down doors, to enforce the new law.

The search and seizure provision is particularly draconian, given that search warrants are used only for the most serious, indictable offenses. It was sneaked into the bill, after

Australia and Hitler's Dictatorship

by Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.

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I speak from my official status as a registered pre-candidate for the U.S. Democratic Party's 2004 Presidential nomination.

What is fairly called Australia's "Murdoch press," and that press's accomplices, continue to aggravate their reckless disregard for both elementary decency and truth. It is much worse than that. If we take into account both the intent expressed by the conduct of the offending portion of the "Goebbels press"-like Australia mass media, and the legislation that crew has just sponsored, that legislation is: 1) an intent to violate human rights; and 2) legislation in the same character of law as the February 1933 decrees which first established the Nazi government as a dictatorship.

The style of these offensive actions is also relevant to the charges against the perpetrators of that mass-media

conduct and legislation. First, the form of the legislation enacted is in keeping with the conceptions of law, crafted by the notorious Carl Schmitt, which were invoked, with Schmitt's approval, to establish the Nazi regime as a dictatorship. Second, considering the increasingly active role which the government of Australia is playing in the ongoing efforts of certain financier interests to dismember and pillage Indonesia, and who knows what beyond that, the adducible intention of the promoters of the disgusting statute in question is properly a matter of international concern.

I would hope that saner elements within the population and relevant institutions of Australia, would act in their own interests, to uproot and destroy this ugly legislation and the clear intention which the leading sponsors of the legislation have expressed so nakedly, and with what utterly reckless contempt for readily available truth.



Carl Schmitt

a storm of protest forced Victorian Premier Steve Bracks to pledge to amend it. However, Bracks, who is in the ADC's pocket, in fact made it much worse. Peter Ryan, the leader of the National Party, the only party to oppose the law, commented: "It is like using a sledgehammer to crack a walnut."

Aimed at LaRouche Co-Thinkers

That "walnut" is the CEC. The bill has been accompanied by a malicious nationwide slander campaign against the CEC, orchestrated by the ADC, which is a front for Queen Elizabeth's Privy Council, the ruling body of the British Commonwealth. Three members of the Privy Council dominate the ADC's Advisory Board: former Governors-General Sir Zelman Cowen and Sir Ninian Stephen, and former Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser. In a June 2000 submission on the bill, the ADC listed the CEC alongside the Ku Klux Klan and other white supremacist organizations, as one of 14 "organized racist groups" to which the bill should apply. Trying to whip up a lynch mob against the CEC, later ADC submissions and media appearances featured concocted, fraudulent "quotes" from LaRouche, in which he is made to appear to be denigrating blacks, Chinese, Jews, Irish-Americans and other minority or ethnic groups. The ADC has repeatedly attacked LaRouche as a "racist, anti-Semitic cult leader."

The anti-LaRouche campaign, in which Rupert Murdoch's media took a leading role (see *EIR*, June 22, 2001), reached a fever-pitch in the week before the bill was passed, and has continued unabated since.

In part, the Crown-dominated establishment, with the ADC taking the point, was scrambling to head off an intense CEC-led mobilization against the bill, which was so effective that one MP reported, "This office has received a record number of responses." The actual parliamentary debate was dominated by references to the CEC, and at one stage, the debate ground to a halt, as hysterical Liberal Party members interjected repeatedly to stop a CEC press release being read into the public record. The release quoted an angry Liberal MP blasting the bill as the work of the "top end of town," and questioned whether a \$200,000 donation from the Liberal Party's biggest donor, ADC-associated billionaire Richard Pratt, was the reason the party sold out and supported the bill.

The real motive for the Privy Council's ADC-run campaign against LaRouche, was revealed on ABC Radio National on June 20, when an ADC spokesman launched an attack on Australian MPs who had endorsed LaRouche's New Bretton Woods policy. "It is one of his economic policies to save the world from the Jewish bankers who are supposedly trying to subjugate the world," the ADC hack lied. In reality, the Anglo-American establishment is terrified of Presidential candidate LaRouche's growing influence worldwide, as the world plunges toward a global financial collapse.

Argentine Devaluation Warns of a Debt Blowout

by Cynthia R. Rush

Late on the afternoon of Friday, June 15, Argentine Finance Minister Domingo Cavallo rattled the international financial community by announcing a "partial" devaluation of the peso, claiming this was a way to stimulate exports by establishing a different exchange rate for foreign trade only, and making Argentine exports "more competitive."

This was *not*, he adamantly stated, echoed by President Fernando de la Rúa at his side, a full-fledged devaluation. The existing "convertibility" system, based on a one-to-one dollar-peso peg—really the old British currency board system—which Cavallo personally instituted in 1991 as Finance Minister in the Carlos Menem government, would remain in place for all other economic sectors, Cavallo insisted. The new exchange rate of 1.08 pesos to the dollar "for trade only," a devaluation of about 8%, would be pegged to an average value of the dollar and the euro.

Let's look at the real story. Cavallo's "partial" devaluation confirms *EIR*'s evaluation that Argentina, like Ibero-America's two other big economies—Brazil and Mexico—is blowing apart financially, despite the array of International Monetary Fund (IMF) bailouts, debt swaps, and other criminal schemes applied over the past year, in an attempt to hold it together. The world financial crash is on.

With over \$900 billion in debt obligations combined, these three nations cannot extract enough value out of their economies, fast enough, to pay their debts. Their economies have been too cannibalized. The effect on the world financial system of a debt blowout of this magnitude would be incalculable—not to mention what it would do to the United States, many of whose banks and corporations hold large amounts of Ibero-American debt.

Of the three, Argentina is falling apart the fastest. It is de facto in default. The pathetic de la Rúa government is non-existent. The physical economy is destroyed, as is the once highly skilled labor force. This is seen in the dramatic increase in poverty, 15% official unemployment rate, and growing social upheaval. Industrial production dropped by 2.8% in May, compared to the same month one year ago. Auto production dropped 21.3% between January and May, while auto sales for the same period plummeted an incredible 54.8%. Supermarket sales dropped by 1.2% in the same timeframe.

None of the financial schemes devised to forestall default