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LAROCHE DEMANDS ANSWER FROM LEVI ON MANSON INVESTIGATION

NOV. 17(IPS)—U.S. LABOR PARTY PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE LYNDON LARUCHE, JR. TODAY DEMANDED THAT ATTORNEY GENERAL EDWARD LEVI GIVE HIM A DEFINITIVE ANSWER BY 11 AM, NOV. 17 AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE IS CONDUCTING AN INVESTIGATION OF THREATS MADE IN A LETTER SIGNED BY PSYCHOTIC MURDERER CHARLES MANSON.

IN A TELEGRAM SENT TO LEVI LAST NIGHT, MR. LAROCHE DESCRIBED THE REFUSAL OF JUSTICE DEPARTMENT AND FBI TO ACT OVER LAST EIGHT DAYS ON LABOR PARTY'S REQUEST FOR A THROUGH INVESTIGATION OF THE MANSON THREAT. THE MANSON LETTER WAS RECEIVED BY THE SAN FRANCISCO LABOR PARTY ON NOV. 8.

USLP REPRESENTATIVE'S ACTING ON BEHALF OF MR. LAROCHE HAD SUBMITTED A COMPLAINT TO JUSTICE DEPARTMENT PERSONAL NOV. 13. THERE HAS BEEN NO RESPONSE, MR. LAROCHE SAID.

"I BELIEVE THAT MY LIFE AND THE LIVES OF OTHER PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES ARE IN SERIOUS DANGER UNTIL A FULL AND VIGOROUS INVESTIGATION IS LAUNCHED, LAROCHE SAID IN THE TELEGRAM. "I FURTHER BELIEVE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE IS USING DILATORY TACTICS WITH RESPECT TO THE MANSON THREAT FOR THE PURPOSE OF CAUSING ME TO CANCEL SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS ON MY CURRENT CAMPAIGN TOUR." LAROCHE IS SCHEDULED TO GO TO SAN FRANCISCO WEDNESDAY, NOV. 19.

"I WILL NOT MAKE A FINAL DECISION ABOUT CONTINUING MY CAMPAIGN TOUR TO SAN FRANCISCO UNTIL I HAVE YOUR RESPONSE," LAROCHE CONTINUED. "I HAVE BEEN ADVISED BY MY ATTORNEYS THAT IF YOU DO NOT ANSWER THIS REQUEST I SHOULD TAKE THIS TO BE A CONSTRUCTIVE REFUSAL AND THAT I SHOULD THEN SEEK A WRIT OF MANDAMUS IN COURT." LAROCHE AS PART OF HIS NATIONWIDE CAMPAIGN TOUR IN DETROIT IS AWAITING MR. LEVI'S DECISION.

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