
The media

Once again, NBC gets its line from Moscow

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It's not for nothing that NBC has been nicknamed the "National Bolshevik Corporation." Two weeks before NBC broadcast its April 8 defamation branding Lyndon LaRouche's associates "killers," the "trained killers" lie was broadcast on March 21—on the Moscow TV "news" program, *Vremya*.

The Moscow TV broadcast was meant not only as a "green light" for Soviet-allied and corrupted media in the West to pick up the new slander line against LaRouche, but also, as a naked signal to Soviet terrorist assets and networks to launch bombings, assassinations, kidnappings, and other forms of criminal violence against offices and members of LaRouche-affiliated organizations in Western Europe and the United States. Two days before NBC picked up and aired the slanders of the Soviet broadcast, the Paris office of *EIR* was bombed by an arm of the French ultra-left, Soviet-connected terrorist group, Direct Action.

Big lie campaign

The March 21 Moscow TV broadcast is very striking, in that its ostensible subject matter is the assassination of Swedish Prime Minister Olof Palme, and the alleged role of the European Labor Party (EAP)—the political arm for LaRouche's economic and defense policies in Western Europe. The Big Lie campaign to "implicate" the EAP in the Palme assassination was launched and masterminded—as we thoroughly documented in the April 4 *EIR* issue—by Moscow's KGB and KGB disinformation outlets in the Western European media.

As we also documented, these media slanders in Western Europe reached a crescendo during March 18 and March 19—including slanders on Soviet radio. The whole case rested on Viktor Gunnarsson, who was temporarily detained by Swedish police, which had employed him as an informant in the past, and who happened to have once signed an EAP petition. The whole "soap bubble" of media hype against LaRouche on the Palme murder soon collapsed in the West, although it revealed a great deal of and about Soviet disinformation capabilities in the West.

The Moscow TV broadcast of March 21—broadcast twice

in fact—thus stuck out like a sore thumb. It occurred *after* the soap-bubble burst, and cannot be read as Russia simply "riding the wave" of Western European media attacks and slanders against LaRouche. As will be clear from the text which we reproduce here in full, the broadcasts were an announcement by Moscow that the next wave of media attacks against LaRouche and his organizations will be—as the Paris bombing has already proven—accompanied by violence. The *Vremya* text is translated from the original as monitored and taped by Radio Liberty-Munich.

"The EAP has been active in Sweden for more than 10 years. It is a terrorist, pro-fascist oriented organization, whose aim is to make Sweden enter NATO, and give the Swedish Army neutron weapons, and which is persecuting all those who fight for peace and the security of the people. The members of this Party have, for years, pursued a methodical campaign of deceit and slander against Olof Palme, using all means, including distortion of facts about his private life, and ridiculous assertions that the prime minister of Sweden was a KGB agent, and was selling out Sweden to the Soviets.

"Some members of this organization have received special military training in Wiesbaden, under the supervision of killers [or cutthroats, the Russian word is *molodchiki*], from the neo-Nazi private army of Hoffmann [the neo-Nazi terrorists of the "Wehrsportgruppe Hoffmann"].

"The Swedish newspaper *Aftonbladet* has quoted a member of the Swedish chapter of the EAP, who said to a journalist in 1984: 'Possibly, the time will come to gun down Olof Palme.'

"According to the Swedish media, the headquarters of the Party is in the United States. It's headed by an American millionaire, Lyndon LaRoche [sic]. According to *Svenska Dagbladet*, LaRoche had contacts with the American administration. The sources of the Party's funding are unclear. Officially, it exists through the sales of propaganda literature, but, observers think there is another source of money, which is kept secret by the Party."

Izvestia

Our documentation of Moscow's decision to launch violent attacks on LaRouche and his associates internationally, would not be complete without citing the Soviet government newspaper *Izvestia* of April 4. On that date, through London correspondent A. Kripovalov, appears a sinister "message" article on the subject of LaRouche. The "message" occurs in the form of effusive praise for a British publication called *Searchlight*, which ostensibly tracks "neo-Nazis" and "right extremists" and which functions as an unofficial KGB and East German intelligence mouthpiece. *Searchlight's* chief editor, Gerry Gable, a self-proclaimed "LaRouche watcher," collaborates with the ADL and with pro-Soviet "LaRouche watchers" in West Germany. It was the KGB outlet *Searchlight* that in January 1986, in a slander against LaRouche entitled, "Far Right Spooks Move In," first floated the line that LaRouche's associates are "killers."