

Report from Rio by Silvia Palacios

Profile of a Brazilian 'New Ager'

The British royal house stands behind the perverse and anti-Christian policies of Brazil's ecology minister.

Prince Charles's personal summons to Brazilian Environment Secretary José Lutzemberger for an immediate visit to London—without any advance protocol—suggests the overwhelming influence of the British Crown on the new Brazilian ecological policy defended by Lutzemberger. That policy includes imposing a system of "limited sovereignty" over the Amazon, and sabotage of efforts to integrate Brazil and Peru through advanced highway infrastructure.

In his May 11 "invitation" to Lutzemberger to participate in the founding of an international movement to promote so-called "natural agriculture" at universities around the world, the heir to the British throne revealed that his control over the Brazilian minister is based on gnostic, anti-Christian beliefs. Charles emphasized in his letter that he shares Professor Lutzemberger's "holistic view" of environmental problems.

The world ecologist movement, in fact, premises itself on a body of mystical beliefs (of which holism is but one), which justifies violations of the sanctity of human life under the pretext of an idyllic "return to nature"—a euphemism for a return to the Stone Age. The "mecca" of this movement is the Gaia Foundation of England, which radiates its belief in pseudo-scientific and outright pagan cults—specifically, the belief in the pre-Christian cult of a vengeful Mother Earth, Gaia.

The Gaia Foundation is a direct creation of the British royal family, and is run through the Scottish Free-

masonic Rite. In its "theological" guise, the foundation overlaps with the Findhorn Foundation of Scotland, and together the two run the so-called Brazil Network, which coordinates from London nearly all environmentalist operations inside Brazil. The Brazil Network is behind the promotion of Lutzemberger. Such promoters of the Gaia ideology as James Lovelock and Lynn Margulis belong to the Lindisfarne Association, co-founded by British intelligence operative Gregory Bateson. Bateson was a key figure in the British-sponsored MK-Ultra project, which was responsible for the diffusion of psychedelic drugs throughout the United States.

The Gaia Foundation, together with the Findhorn and Lindisfarne associations, operate in the United States within the "New Age" constellation headed by the Lucis Trust. This non-governmental organization in the United Nations, also includes the Theosophical Society founded by Madame Helena P. Blavatsky in 1857; the Anthroposophs of Rudolf Steiner; and Amnesty International and Greenpeace, among other organizations of the same stripe.

The control wielded by the British royal house over these New Age networks is quite direct, as indicated by the fact that the Gaia Foundation includes elements of the British monarchy among its leading members. These include Lady Geraldine Ogilvy and Sir John Harvey Jones, former president of Imperial Chemical Industries. The most notable example, however, is Laurent van der Post, the

Gaia Foundation's leading adviser and also the mystic "guru philosopher" and intimate of Prince Charles. Van der Post, a follower of the pro-Nazi psychologist Carl Jung, is one of the leading promoters of swapping foreign debt paper for "nature"—a policy that was vehemently rejected by Brazil's previous government. Van der Post also promotes the creation of a World Conservation Bank, which would centralize international terrain subject to supervised conservationist projects.

In Brazil, Lutzemberger is the foremost representative of Gaia. He is also, not accidentally, a leading member of Brazil's "holistic" movement, which got its start under former Brasilia governor José Aparecido, who fought to turn Brasilia into the New Age capital of the world. Lutzemberger also collaborates with the magazine *Corpo a Corpo*, which specializes in promoting holism, hedonism, child eroticism, Gaia, theosophy, and anthroposophy.

Another crucial link of Lutzemberger is with BENFAM, the Brazilian branch of the International Planned Parenthood Federation, created at the beginning of the century under the same eugenicist, racist, and conservationist precepts. In 1989, BENFAM and its Latin American counterparts held the Second Congress of Family Planning in Rio de Janeiro, where the best means of promoting malthusianism through the World Bank were debated. The Congress deliberately expanded its scope by linking the ecologists' fight to population reduction programs. From that moment onward, BENFAM recognized the cult of holism as the perfect ideology to give a "progressive" touch to the old Nazi eugenicist campaigns designed to eliminate the non-white populations of the developing world.