

Soros gang of drug legalizers challenges the White House

by Scott Thompson

On Nov. 5, 1996, a majority of voters in California and Arizona, who had been subjected to a media propaganda campaign financed by speculator George Soros, approved Propositions 215 and 200, respectively, that permit "medical use" of various Schedule I narcotics. Under both initiatives, a "Dr. Feel Good" quack could prescribe marijuana to sufferers of any disease, while under the Arizona referendum, a quack could prescribe LSD, heroin, cocaine, and other dangerous substances even to children. Basically, the Soros gang, which has plans to initiate similar referenda in 25 more states, is holding terminally ill patients hostage to a cynical plan to make "medical use" of Schedule I drugs the foot-in-the-door for full-scale legalization of narcotics trafficking in the United States.

Ironically, both mainstream Republicans such as Bob Dole and the Newtzi Republicans lambasted President Bill Clinton during the 1996 Presidential campaign for an alleged "do nothing" approach to the war on drugs. Yet, once Gen. Barry McCaffrey, the White House director of national drug policy, challenged these referenda, the drug legalizers and British-influenced press began a major media campaign to defame the White House for picking on the sick and their doctors, a campaign that was supported by the libertarian wing of the Newtzi Jacobinites. Furthermore, with the financial and legal backing of the Soros gang, on Jan. 14 a class-action suit was filed in U.S. District Court in San Francisco against General McCaffrey and other senior White House officials, based on the spurious claim that McCaffrey had violated these individuals' First Amendment right to free speech.

As *EIR* learned in an interview with Don Abramson, the legal director of Soros's Lindesmith Center, an outfit pushing drug legalization, the drug legalizers' argument is that the White House is violating the "doctor-patient relationship," when it threatens to enforce federal law against doctors who prescribe marijuana. This is a voodoo legal argument. McCaffrey is correct in saying that anyone, including a doctor, who tells someone to commit a felony under federal law, is guilty of "aiding and abetting" a felony.

Soros 'bought' the referenda

British Rothschild-spawned Soros, who is currently under criminal investigation by Italian magistrates for reaping vast

profits while smashing the Italian lira in wild currency speculation, "bought" passage of the California and Arizona referenda. In Arizona, \$440,000 of the \$440,490 raised by proponents of Proposition 200 came from Soros's pockets. An additional \$25,000 was spent on polling by the pro-drug legalization Drug Policy Foundation (DPF), which has received a \$3 million operating program and \$3 million grant program from Soros. More than five years ago, leaders of the DPF, at their annual conference, in conversation with Rep. Charles Schumer (D-N.Y.), were overheard by an *EIR* reporter speaking of how they would make "medical use" of drugs such as marijuana their foot-in-the-door for legalizing drugs.

According to records filed by Californians for Medical Rights (soon to be Americans for Medical Rights) with the California secretary of state's office, Soros either directly or indirectly contributed over one-third of the money raised for Proposition 215. Soros's direct contribution was \$550,000; the DPF gave \$200,000 more. More than \$1.4 million of the \$1.8 million raised for the initiative came from out-of-state sources.

In addition, John Sperling, president and CEO of the Apollo Group, based in Phoenix, Arizona, gave \$200,000. The Apollo Group was affiliated with Soros hatchetman Sam Veggans, who was the real director of Arizona Proposition 200, nominally working under businessman John Norton, the chairman of the Barry Goldwater Institute. Prominent drug legalizers who contributed to Proposition 215 included former Reagan-Bush Secretary of State George Shultz, now at the Hoover Institution, who gave \$1,000; and, Nobel Prize-winning Schachtian economist Milton Friedman (also, now at the Hoover Institution), who gave \$150. David Fratello, who had been the DPF press officer for five years and now runs communications for Californians for Medical Rights, told *EIR* that he began to consider the war on drugs a lost cause when, as a student doing drug policy research at Pomona College in 1988-89, he first heard Shultz challenge the wisdom of the anti-drug war.

Soros dupes myriads to destroy their minds

Soros, who was trained at the London School of Economics by British Aristotelian Society leader Sir Karl Popper, does not believe that a human being can know the truth. In his business swindles, Soros brags about how he plays upon

other people's misperceptions. About three years ago, through his Open Society Institute-New York, Soros hand-picked former Princeton kook professor and DPF board member Ethan Nadelman, to head the Lindesmith Center. Nadelman has systematically overlooked evidence from qualified physicians, such as Dr. Gabriel Nahas, that marijuana causes neurological damage and is at best a placebo for the wasting effects of diseases like cancer and AIDS. Throughout the campaigns to pass the California and Arizona propositions, Nadelman was behind the scenes with Soros, calling the shots on how to dupe voters into permitting mass, Nazi-style genocide. It may come as no surprise, but Soros once admitted on the "Adam Smith Show," that the secret to his money-making success is that his well-to-do Hungarian Jewish father had arranged for Soros to help the Nazis loot wealthy Jewish estates in Hungary during World War II.

Dennis Peron, a homosexual AIDS activist who co-authored Proposition 215, told Agence France Presse on Dec. 4, how successful the Soros-funded Californians for Medical Rights has been in duping others. "We have a battery of lawyers waiting to assist anyone who qualifies for medicinal use of marijuana and is arrested," Peron said. "Thirty-eight thousand doctors are ready to be arrested. If federal authorities are going to take this route, they better start building jails."

Throughout the Proposition 215 campaign, the New York City-headquartered Lindesmith Center maintained a second office in San Francisco, where Lindesmith Legal Director Don Abramson gave *pro bono* advice to Proposition 215's sponsors. At present, Abramson is coordinating the legal counteroffensive against the White House, and is negotiating with Soros for more funding, in the event that the legal suit goes to the Supreme Court. While Abramson would not reveal all the attorneys working on the case at a reduced rate or *pro bono*, he stated that two groups were involved: the American Civil Liberties Union and the law firm of Altschuler, Berzon, Nussbaum, Berzon, and Rubin. Fred H. Altschuler, the lead attorney with the firm, is also a board member and secretary of the San Francisco Jewish Community Relations Council, which gave support to the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith when San Francisco police caught the ADL spying on thousands of groups and individuals, ranging from black civil rights leaders to anti-apartheid leaders to Arab-Americans. According to Abramson, numerous oncologists and doctors dealing with AIDS patients will be joining the suit against McCaffrey and the White House. Bill Zimmerman, manager of Californians for Medical Rights, adds that almost every AIDS activist group in California, including the Shantytown Foundation, has been lined up behind the suit.

According to Nick Gillespie, editor of the Reason Foundation's *Reason* magazine, which is philosophically associated with the Libertarian Party, the libertarians think that Soros did not go far enough with his propositions. However, they

believe that the White House counterattack opens the door for full-scale legalization. Gillespie and others in the Reason Foundation have begun lobbying Congress toward this end, working especially through the libertarian Republican Liberty Foundation (RLF) that overlaps the Newtzi Jacobinites. Gillespie recently told a reporter that one congressman who is a member of the RLF and initially opposed Proposition 200, Rep. John Shadegg (R-Ariz.), now says that, because the voters have spoken, he must support Proposition 200. Shadegg replaced Gingrich as the head of GOPAC, the political action committee at the center of the Newtzi ethics storm. During his 1996 re-election campaign against LaRouche Democrat María Elena Milton, Shadegg desperately sought to distance himself from his own leading financial backers who were openly associated with the dope legalization initiative.

Gillespie also said that he and his fellows will play on the Tenth Amendment, the so-called "states' rights" Amendment, that has assumed the proportions of an "Eleventh Commandment" for the Newtzis.

British tabloids lead media support for Soros

Soros, whose multibillion-dollar Quantum Fund NV in the Netherlands Antilles includes Queen Elizabeth II on its exclusive client list, has been increasingly defended in editorials in the "mainstream" U.S. press. This started with a Dec. 22, 1996 article by avowed British SIS asset Ambrose Evans-Pritchard, in which he warned that White House enforcement of the law against Propositions 215 and 200 would lead to the "Colombianization of America." He wrote in the *Sunday Telegraph*:

"Last month Californian voters passed binding legislation known as Proposition 215. . . . It passed by 54 to 46% with a lot of help from George Soros, the Hungarian-born currency speculator, who calls the U.S. drug war 'hysterical.' A similar proposition passed in Arizona . . . [that] had the backing of the arch-conservative Goldwater Institute. If Proposition 215 is allowed to run its course unchallenged, it is only a matter of time before a joint of Mendocino green leaf is consumed in California as openly as a glass of Napa Chardonnay. And what starts on the West Coast usually spreads to the rest of the country. . . . It sets the stage for a spectacular clash between Washington and California, a hazardous venture. . . . The mantra of the nineties is the 10th Amendment. . . . U.S. drug prohibition is now collapsing fast. America is in the incipient stages of 'Colombianization,' with profits from the \$150 billion annual drug trade contaminating the government at every level. . . . The consensus behind the drug war is shattered. The only question now is whether the U.S. government will call for an orderly retreat, or whether it will try to fight a rearguard action against the people of California."

Evans-Pritchard is a key part of the "media food chain" that the White House recently denounced (see article, p. 56). Now, he is defending fellow British asset George Soros.