"LaRouche," the authors say, "has alleged that Mr. Soros is a key figure in a global financial conspiracy against sovereign nation-states involving, among others, the Queen of England, international drug cartels and the Israeli secret service. Mr. Soros' New York-based fund-management firm didn't respond to requests for comment. Aryeh Neier, the president of Mr. Soros' Open Society Institute, says he won't 'dignify' Mr. LaRouche's views with a formal reply."

The article presents a sleuth-style account of how the particular item of current influence of LaRouche's ideas, is an *EIR* Special Report dated April 1996.

The article said, "Mr. LaRouche has long been at odds with the U.S. political mainstream, which regards him as an extremist in his views about reforming the global financial system. But his theories receive a warmer reception in Malaysia, where the 60-page *EIR* report on Mr. Soros has been passed among Malaysian editors, intellectuals and politicians.

"EIR regularly thrashes Mr. Soros for allegedly trying to loot Asian countries. Since Southeast Asian currencies began plunging in July, the Malaysian government, too, has been hurling allegations at Mr. Soros, accusing his investment funds of pushing down the value of the ringgit—a charge Soros aides have denied. Prime Minister Mahathir has labelled Mr. Soros a 'rogue speculator,' an 'anarchist' and a 'criminal.' Malaysian authorities also have warned of an 'international conspiracy against an Islamic regime.'

"In recent remarks to a gathering of Malaysian Islamic scholars, Dr. Mahathir, echoing a phrase from *EIR*, said of Mr. Soros: 'He's no Robin Hood. He takes from the poor and fills his own pockets.'

"It isn't clear whether Dr. Mahathir or other senior Malaysian officials have read the *EIR* report. . . . The prime minister's office didn't respond to requests for comment. A spokesman for Deputy Premier Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim says 'we know nothing' about the LaRouche document. A Malaysian embassy official in Washington says that the embassy has regularly dispatched *EIR* to Kuala Lumpur.

"For his part, Mr. LaRouche welcomes what he sees as support from like-minded individuals and organizations in Malaysia and other Southeast Asian countries. 'Two things are going on,' he says in an interview. There's a heightening of 'patriotic' feelings in those countries against speculators like Mr. Soros, and there's also a 'fairly strong interest in what I have to say.' "

Wall Street Journal Asia, and Internet edition, "Gaining Currency; Source in U.S. Helps the Malaysian Attacks on Soros," Sept. 19.

The same text as the previous article, with the exception of the first line.

Corriere della Sera, Italy, Sept. 22.

The topic of the article is Prime Minister Mahathir's criticism of speculators. The author, Stefano Cingolani, the chief

foreign policy editor, and correspondent in Hongkong for the IMF meeting, writes, "Mahathir has used in his polemics the poisons spread by a singular American hyper-reactionary, Lyndon LaRouche, who does not miss any occasion to recycle the theory of the Jewish-masonic conspiracy. This time he has accused Soros of having collaborated, although he was a Jew, with the Nazis who occupied Hungary, his country of origin. And the Malaysian press has elaborated on that."

Cingolani adds that Malaysia's threats "have alarmed the United States," because of the political message to other countries in the area. "Protectionist reactions would strike a severe blow against globalization." For this reason, Cingolani writes, U.S. Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin went so far in defending globalization, as to "justify currency speculation."

La Repubblica, Italy, "Soros, the 'Devil' of the East," Sept. 22.

The article's topic is the "Mahathir-Soros" duel, and includes a slanderous characterization of Lyndon LaRouche. Signed by Roberto Petrini, who attended the Hongkong IMF meetings, the article states in the last paragraph: "Fanning the fire of the conspiracy theory, besides the authoritarian Southeast Asian leaders, are also strange American characters like the eccentric and little reliable Lyndon LaRouche, who spread a very poisonous biography of Soros, where he accuses Soros of having collaborated with the Hungarian Nazi regime. Soros does not care."

Soros robs the poor, gives to the rich

by Scott Thompson

The man whom Malaysian Prime Minister Dr. Mahathir Mohamed has labeled an evil speculator and a "moron," global money manipulator George Soros, prefers to describe himself as a modern day Robin Hood. But George has it all wrong. Through currency and derivatives speculation, and other forms of money manipulation, he has robbed from the poor to give to the rich. Among the beneficiaries of his "robbery" has been Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, who is said to be a principal client of Soros's multibillion-dollar Quantum Fund N.V., and the wealthiest insider trader in the world.

The alms that Soros doles out, through his Open Society funds, usually go to carefully selected groups that oppose governments among the United States' important allies or would-be allies. Soros has been or is now under investigation for his "philanthropic activities"—including alleged criminal activities ranging from money-laundering to espionage, to other questionable activities such as peddling drug legaliza-

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tion—including in the United States, Russia, China, Italy, Belarus, Croatia, and Malaysia. Soros's Open Society Fund was recently kicked out of Belarus for money-laundering and other financial irregularities, and it was earlier kicked out of China, right after the Tiananmen Square showdown in 1989, for alleged espionage. His fund would have been thrown out of Russia, if it had not been saved by a liberal faction in the State Duma (parliament).

A cog in Eichmann's killing machine

Much has been made in the media of Lyndon H. LaRouche's claim, that Soros was no better than a Nazi. Here is Soros's own carefully crafted admission on the Adam Smith Show, produced by WNET on April 15, 1993, that he had been a small cog in Adolf Eichmann's killing machine, which was responsible for the Holocaust against 500,000 Hungarian Jews. Incredibly, Soros claims that this is the secret to his financial success later in life:

Smith: "What kind of man would go eyeball to eyeball with the Bank of England and bet his fortune that the pillar of the financial establishment would blink? A man with an unconventional view of the world, to be sure. George Soros's worldview was formed as a teenager during the Second World War, when all the usual rules of normal life were suddenly fractured."

Soros: "It really started in 1944, when Hungary was occupied by the Germans, and me being Jewish, I was in danger of my life."

Smith: (voice-over) "His father, a prominent Budapest attorney who had lived through the Russian Revolution, understood the art of survival."

Soros: "When the Germans came in, he said, 'This is a lawless occupation. The normal rules don't apply. You have to forget how you behave in normal society. This is an abnormal situation.' And he arranged for all of us to have false papers, everybody had a different arrangement. I was adopted by an official of the minister of agriculture, whose job was to take over Jewish properties, so I actually went with him and we took possession of these large estates. That was my identity. So it's a strange, very strange life. I was 14 years old at the time."

Later, in an interview for the cover story of the Sept. 2, 1997 issue of *Time* magazine, Soros glossed over his part in the Nazi occupation, but made clear that 1944 was the best year of his life.

A golem made in Britain

With this record of participating in the Holocaust, Soros skedaddled from Hungary after the war to escape retribution. And, he headed for that "bastion of democracy," the British Empire. Despite Soros's current nominal U.S. citizenship, he is emphatically not "American." Rather, he is a "golem," bearing the stamp "Made in Britain." If he were not so filthy a creature, he would be making speeches from the steps of Buckingham Palace. Calling Soros American, because he re-

sides in greater New York City, is like calling the British troops who temporarily resided in Washington, D.C. while they burned the White House during the War of 1812, "American."

Soros keeps the bulk of his money, such as the Quantum Fund N.V. employed by Queen Elizabeth II, in the Caribbean, such as the Netherlands Antilles. If you are from the United States, you cannot invest in any of Soros's funds, or even receive a prospectus. Soros has, in the past, had financial "near-death" experiences with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, and, apparently, has no desire to cross swords with any U.S. financial enforcement agencies. Yet, the Club of the Isles in Europe, which has been grouped around the British monarchy since the First World War, includes many of his big investors.

When he fled to the center of the British Empire, Soros ended up at the London School of Economics, where he became a protégé of British Aristotelian Society leader Sir Karl Popper. It was from Popper's writings on *The Open Society* that Soros developed his pluralistic hatred of the American republic and of Treasury Secretary Alexander Hamilton's American System of political economy. Others helped train Soros in the depredations of the rentier-financier oligarchical British economic system, epitomized by Adam Smith's employer, the British East India Company.

In an exchange of correspondence before his death, Popper, who claimed that the authoritarianism of Reason in Plato's Academy was the origin of communism and fascism, lied to *EIR* that he had nothing to do with Soros. However, news accounts subsequent to Popper's death revealed that he was the source of at least one of Soros's grand schemes: the destruction of Russian science through Soros's International Science Foundation. Sir Karl Popper may prove in history to be a greater "Nazi" than Soros's former *capo di tutti capi*, Adolf Eichmann.

The Rothschilds and the Club of the Isles

Soros got his start in large rentier-financier deals through the intervention of the Rothschild family, which has been part of the grouping known as the Club of the Isles. The Rothschilds have surrounded the British throne, from the days of Baron Nathan Mayer Rothschild and Napoleon I. After brief polishing in British financial houses, Soros moved to the United States in 1956, where he worked for a couple of years managing the portfolio of an old Hapsburg-linked firm, which managed large holdings of European money.

With permission from the firm Arnhold and S. Bleichroeder, Inc., Soros took some of these *fondi* (old family funds) and started Quantum Fund N.V. But, he would not have been nearly as successful, had it not been for the intervention of financier George Karlweiss, who was then with Baron Edmond de Rothschild's Banque Privée. At about the same time, Karlweiss was launching the international business career of the "Detroit Kid," Robert Vesco, who, with Rothschild assistance, would soon take over the flight capital firm of Investors

Overseas Services and milk it for a fortune. Before Vesco was jailed recently in Havana, Cuba, on other charges, this fugitive from U.S. justice had become involved in narcotics trafficking in Ibero-America.

The Rothschild connection to Soros continues to be represented in various ways. For example: Nils Taube, an old crony of Soros, who is now on the board of Lord Jacob Rothschild's St. James Capital, continues to be a director of Quantum Fund, N.V.; the recently deceased Sir James Goldsmith, a cousin of the Rothschilds, sold a controlling interest (some 8.8%) in the gold-mining firm Newmont Mining, to Soros, while selling a smaller amount to Goldsmith's business sidekick, Lord Jacob Rothschild. This helped to position Soros for the British raw materials grab in precious, strategic, and base metals.

The Queen's drug pusher

By his own estimates, Soros has distributed over \$15 million in the 1990s to end the "War on Drugs," and legalize drug use. It was Soros's money that largely financed California Proposition 200 and Arizona Proposition 215, which legalized the "medical use" of Schedule I drugs, such as marijuana, on the state level. In fact, under Proposition 215, two doctors could prescribe heroin, cocaine, and crack to children, for their "curative" values. Soros has since been caught toying with high levels of funding for similar propositions that will be on the ballot in Washington State, Washington, D.C., Oregon, and elsewhere.

Soros is also targetting Ibero-America and other drugproducing regions of the world to eradicate the War on Drugs:

- One front through which Soros has tried to neutralize the War on Drugs in Colombia, Peru, and Bolivia is Human Rights Watch, especially its Americas branch. HRW/Americas is integrated with Soros's other drug legalization efforts. The current head of Soros's primary Open Society Institute, Aryeh Neier, previously served as executive director of HRW/Americas.
- In 1995, HRW set up a new Drug Program, with a \$69,000 budget for its first year, dedicated to hampering antidrug programs around the world through allegations of "human rights violations" by anti-drug fighters. HRW announced that because "national and international counter-narcotics programs . . . by and large have escaped close human rights scrutiny, in early 1995, HRW began a multi-year effort to document and challenge human rights violations caused or exacerbated by efforts to curtail drug trafficking internationally as well as in the United States."
- In Peru, HRW works with three principal partners, two of which operate throughout the Andean region: the Andean Commission of Jurists, the Andean Council of Coca Leaf Producers, and Peru's Pro-Human Rights Association (Aprodeh). On March 13-14, 1997, the Andean Commission of Jurists sponsored an "International Meeting on Current Scientific Studies on the Effects of Coca Consumption on Humans" in Lima, where top British contacts of Dr. Ethan Nadelman,

head of Soros's own pro-dope think tank, the Lindesmith Center, spoke.

- HRW's other partner, the Andean Council of Coca Leaf Producers (CAPHC), has been organizing the poor families growing coca in Peru, Bolivia, Ecuador, and Colombia, who are currently enslaved to the drug cartels, to become a unified armed insurrectionary force. CAPHC charges that all coca eradication programs are de facto violations of "growers rights." The CAPHC coordinates with the Colombian Communist Party's Revolutionary Armed Forces (FARC), that is the narco-terrorist group controlling significant sections of Colombia's drug traffic. On April 18, 1995, the Bolivian government raided a meeting of CAPHC's directors and advisers, arresting 24 participants on charges of sedition; the meeting had been to strategize for spreading CAPHC's violent campaign against coca eradication into Peru. HRW and Aprodeh have defended members of CAPHC who have been arrested.
- In Myanmar (formerly Burma), Soros has funded pro"democracy" efforts for almost ten years, largely through his
 Human Rights Watch-Asia. The Open Society Institute's
 Burma Project is directed by Maureen Aung-Thwin, who also
 sits on the board of HRW-Asia. She was hired in late 1993 by
 the Open Society Institute as a consultant to map out an "open
 society" campaign for Myanmar. Aung-Thwin is the daughter
 of a minister in the cabinet of 1950s-era Prime Minister U
 Nu, who was ousted from power in 1962 by Gen. Ne Win.

She reports that in 1994, its first year of operation, the Burma Project awarded \$1.2 million in grants and scholarships. In 1996, that figure rose to \$1,843,153. Not included are recipients of the more than \$27 million in "Chair's Grants" and "Presidential Grants" given in 1996, the single largest component of the OSI's funding. The Burma Project helped set up the Burma Donors Forum, which coordinates funders of programs targetting Myanmar. The Burma Donors Secretariat chooses those targets, stressing the ethnicity of Myanmar's 140-odd "races."

Activities directly funded by the Burma Project include: the Democratic Voice of Burma, a Burmese-language radio station broadcasting from Norway into Myanmar; a bimonthly magazine, Burma Debate, edited by Mary Pack, a board member of Refugees International; educational grants to place Burmese student activists in universities in Australia, Britain, Canada, India, the Philippines, Thailand, and the United States, where they have played a key role in setting up Burma Action Groups and Burma Information committees on campus, in support of economic boycott campaigns and lobby groups pressing for sanctions; an internship program for Burmese students in the United States, including tasking them to offices of members of the U.S. House of Representatives and Senate, private foundations, human rights and labor organizations, and NGOs; and M.A. fellowship programs for Burmese students in U.S. and European universities, including, since 1991, a fellowship at Soros's pet project, the Central European University, in Budapest, Hungary.

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