

The Hanssen Case and The Institutional Corruption of FBI/DOJ

A spokesman for Lyndon H. LaRouche Jr.'s Democratic Presidential nomination campaign organization, LaRouche in 2004, issued the following statement on the Feb. 20, 2001 arrest of FBI Special Agent Robert Philip Hanssen, on charges he spied for the Soviet Union and Russia from 1985.

The disclosure of the alleged 15-year espionage on behalf of the Soviet Union and Russia by a senior FBI counterintelligence specialist, once again raises crucial issues about the nature of the institutions in which the accused spy, Robert Philip Hanssen, was employed. These observations about the corrupt nature of the Federal Bureau of Investigations and the U.S. Department of Justice are valid, irrespective of the final outcome of the Hanssen case.

Two points are to be emphasized:

First, the FBI as an organization does not have any governing moral principles which could be used to set a standard of loyalty on the part of employees. The inherent corruption of the FBI, which was the subject of Congressional action in 1998, in the form of the McDade-Murtha "Citizens Protection Act," runs so deep, and is so pervasive, institutionally, that a case like that of Hanssen may be considered a lawful consequence of this longstanding institutional character flaw.

Second, no organization, including a government organization, can be entirely free from this sort of problem. There are no "fool-proof" security measures that can completely prevent this kind of security breach.

These two points having been stated, the overriding reality is that, from its inception, the Federal Bureau of Investigation has been a servant, a lackey of certain banking interests, with a strong pro-Confederate bias, which has functioned as a political police, deployed *against* the American people, and specifically to crush the American intellectual tradition. Because of the historical and current lack of moral character of the FBI as an institution, the idea of loyalty to the Bureau has no moral foundation. The FBI is so corrupt, by nature, with its character given to it by its "fathers," President Theodore Roosevelt and his Attorney General Charles Bonaparte, that there is no possibility for good agency-wide internal security. The only security an institution like the FBI can impose is a witch-hunt atmosphere, and police-state kinds

of security measures. What would Louis Freeh and William Webster propose: To make every FBI man wear a polygraph 24 hours a day?

This set of facts should remain in the forefront, not the details of the Hanssen espionage case. Spies happen, traitors happen. But the immoral conduct of the FBI, based on Wall Street and the pro-Confederate legacy—against the American intellectual tradition upon which the nation was founded—is a continuing menace.

The fight for the McDade-Murtha bill in 1998—to hold Federal prosecutors and FBI officials to a standard of justice and to make them accountable for prosecutorial misconduct—as well as the Justice Department's fervid opposition to the bill—points up the problem. Similarly, the recent cases in which DNA evidence has shown that innocent persons were convicted and sentenced to death, points to the inherent corruption of the DOJ/FBI today. These problems are most pronounced in the criminal division of the Justice Department and FBI.

Lacking moral principle, all that the FBI and Department of Justice can demand today is loyalty to the institution. As the Hanssen case emphasizes, once again, those methods are fatally flawed.

Auschwitz Heir Named Ambassador to Britain

by Anton Chaitkin

Administration officials have disclosed that President George W. Bush will nominate William Stamps Farish III, one of the Bush family's closest confidants, as Ambassador to Great Britain.

A worldwide cartel of Standard Oil of New Jersey and the Nazi I.G. Farben company built and operated the Auschwitz concentration camp, notorious for mass murder of Jews and slaves. The arrangements with the Nazis were supervised by Standard's president, William S. Farish, grandfather of Farish III. The proposed ambassador's vast wealth is the inheritance from this Auschwitz cartel.



Will Farish

On March 25, 1942, U.S. Assistant Attorney General