

Peru Is Reading 'Dark Truth' About Soros

by EIR Staff

The Presidential elections in Peru ended June 3 with the victory of Alejandro Toledo. It is now more urgent than ever to clarify that sordid matter of the million-dollar "donation" of mega-speculator and international drug legalizer George Soros to the President-elect, supposedly to help him organize "the resistance" to overthrow the Fujimori government, with his "March from the Four Corners" in July 2000.

For this, *EIR's* new book, *The Dark Truth About George Soros*, published in Peru in May, is required reading.

While Toledo formally won the Presidency, the truth is, that Soros, and the Anglo-American Establishment that sponsors Toledo, were the ones who actually won. Soros' money was not only crucial for the "March of the Four Corners," and Toledo's subsequent election campaign, but it also has given Soros direct participation in Toledo's cabinet. The superminister of Economics and Finance, Pedro Pablo Kuczynski, was, for years, the direct representative of Soros' financial interests in Peru, and it was PPK (as Kuczynski is known) who led Soros by the hand during his 1994 visit to the country.

Soros' philanthropic support to Peruvian "democracy" served to undermine national institutions. While Soros was giving money to Toledo on the one hand, on the other he also financed the chief non-governmental organization (NGO) election watchdog, Transparencia. Transparencia's president, Salomón Lerner, admitted this to former President Alan García, Toledo's opponent for the Presidency in the June 3 second-round vote. Transparencia was the NGO through which "the hemispheric community" (with the United States at its head) channeled its "economic aid," ostensibly earmarked for guarding the honesty of the so-called democratic transition in Peru. In fact, this NGO operated as the entity in charge of arbitrating the entire Peruvian electoral process, to the point that the Organization of American States gave Transparencia the power to validate whether the official electoral results were fraudulent, by how they conformed to the "quick count" results announced by Transparencia right after the election! Transparencia's results, at every point, carried more weight with "the hemispheric community," than that of the National Elections Council of Peru.

The repercussions of the publication of *The Dark Truth About George Soros* have just begun to be felt. In fact, since its publication, there is not a single national political figure who has not read the book, and references to the book, both

direct and indirect, in the midst of the electoral debate, have been extensive. Indeed, in the second week of May, one of the country's most widely read weeklies, *Gente*, published a prominent two-page commentary about *The Dark Truth*, which it described as mandatory reading. This controversial book is also being sold through a national chain of newspaper and magazine vendors, at great popular demand.

Nor has the election silenced its impact. On June 9, *Expreso*, one of the country's largest-circulation dailies, published a column by Andrés Bedoya Ugarteche, tearing into what Soros' "globalization of addiction" project means for Peru, and recommending that Peruvians buy the book, to find out who Soros is and what he does. "I promise you, you'll be horrified. By comparison, Al Capone was a streetcar pick-pocket."

Receiving Money From a Pirate

As Luis Ernesto Vásquez writes in his introduction to *The Dark Truth About George Soros*, "if the delivery of \$1 million by Hungarian-born mega-speculator and Anglo-American drug legalizer George Soros, to Presidential candidate Alejandro Toledo, is not fully investigated, the entire [government] campaign to 'moralize' the country, no matter how many anti-corruption commissions are installed, will remain a crude, farsical lie, whose purpose has nothing to do with moralizing Peru.

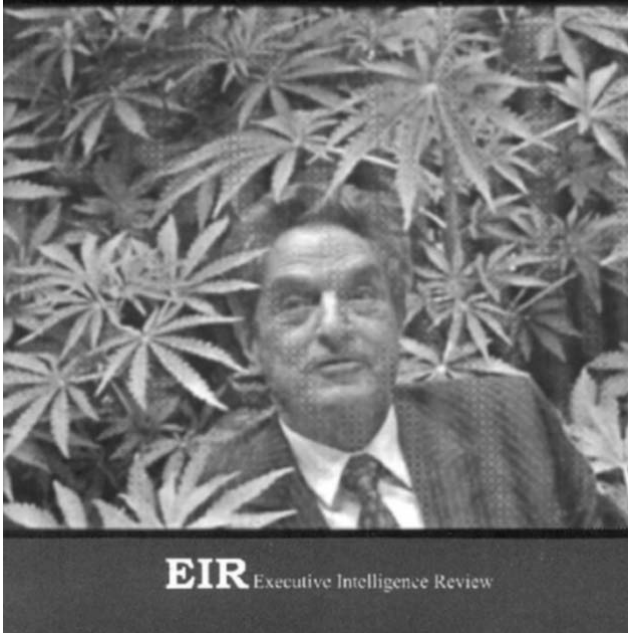
"This investigation must include every person involved in the deed, which we consider totally immoral, and, especially, Diego García Sayán, the current Justice Minister, who not only has a long-standing relationship with Soros but who, according to the Peruvian press itself, was the one to introduce Soros to Toledo, and it appears was also present in Warsaw when Soros gave Toledo the \$1 million. Because receiving money from Soros, as Lyndon LaRouche has said, is like receiving money from a swindler, a pirate, a parasite who works his money where narco-dollars are laundered, something which he would see legalized."

Vásquez writes: "We Peruvians want to know what it is that Soros asked for in return, under cover of 'encouraging democracy.'

"It is very ingenuous to suppose that the \$1 million was merely intended to pave the way for his future investments in Peru; these are already extensive, above all in gold mining, and in speculation and making an easy profit. It is more logical to conclude that behind his supposed philanthropy is a project to legalize the production and consumption of drugs in Peru, and in the world. . . . Soros himself sponsored, in 1998, an open letter to UN Secretary General Kofi Annan, which argued in favor of drug legalization. Along with Soros' signature, the letter was signed by more than 500 'personalities,' 19 of them Peruvian, all backing drug legalization. Among these, we find none other than current Justice Minister Diego García Sayán and Prime Minister Javier Pérez de Cuéllar."

In *The Dark Truth About George Soros*, Sara Madueño,

La oscura Verdad sobre GEORGE SOROS



Exposing the role of George Soros in the drug-legalization effort is the Spanish-language book released by EIR, "The Shadowy Truth About George Soros."

who edited this book, presents us with the history of this sinister person. In the first chapter, we are presented with George Soros, the international mega-speculator. The second chapter documents Soros' trajectory as the commander of drug legalization. The third chapter exposes Soros as the protector of the human rights of the narco-terrorists, through his allegedly pro-human-rights NGOs, such as Human Rights Watch.

International Investigations

Regarding "George Soros, the mega-speculator," we learn that Soros is a *golem* made in Great Britain, to promote an "open society," not only for the markets, but where the concept of the sovereign nation-state is so conditioned that it becomes a mere formality; an open society which advocates the destruction of the nation-state. Here we find full documentation of Soros as a shadowy and unscrupulous international speculator, who is currently under official investigation in at least three countries, for having launched financial warfare

against those nations. The book documents the case of Malaysia, for example, a country which has prohibited Soros from carrying out any kind of economic activity there, and which has threatened his immediate arrest should he set foot there. Malaysian Prime Minister Dr. Mahathir bin Mohamad has not spared words in publicly exposing the voracious speculative appetites of Soros and his allies, who have earned millions speculating against, and destabilizing, Malaysia and its currency.

Another case reviewed by the book is that of Italy. On Jan. 27, 1997, the daily *Corriere della Sera* published a full-page article on the "Soros connection" in the economic and political life of Italy. Author Ivo Caizzi stresses that the actual criminal investigation of Soros was initiated by the International Civil Rights Movement—Solidarity, which in Italy supports Lyndon LaRouche. He writes that "the two investigations were headed by Rome and Naples prosecutors. Both investigations concentrated on the same attack against the lira, in September 1992, when international banks and speculators—as in the case of the famous George Soros—managed to steal \$48 billion from the Banca d'Italia's monetary reserves."

Soros had problems with the authorities in Croatia, as well. On Dec. 9, 1996, in a speech to the leaders of the Croatian ruling party, the late President Franjo Tudjman accused Soros and his hosts of having "created a state within the state, to destabilize Croatia." Tudjman detailed how London and its allies planned the destruction of Croatia, and helped to form opposition groups both within and outside the country. With his Open Society group, Tudjman said, Soros contributed to the international campaign to discredit Croatia, while he sent a great deal of money into Croatia, to finance political activities and garner the broadest influence in the media and cultural world.

The Dark Truth about George Soros gives special attention to his speculative activities in Ibero-America. Several important *EIR* investigations are detailed in the book, documenting how Soros has been buying up Ibero-America "piece by piece." These pieces include vast agricultural lands in Argentina and Uruguay; real estate dealings in, for example, Argentina and Mexico; large retail chains in several countries; and, multimillion-dollar incursions into mining, above all of precious metals, in countries including Peru and Ecuador.

The Dark Truth says, regarding Soros' gold interests in Peru: "By 1996, the Yanacocha mine had become the largest gold mining operation in all of Ibero-America, and it is 51% owned by Newmont Mining, of . . . George Soros. He got involved in Yanacocha in 1993, in association with the Buenaventura company, whose primary stockholder, Alberto Benavides de la Quintana, presided over the Coordinating Commission on privatization for the state companies. Soros had bought and sold several Peruvian companies, but in 1997, he announced that he was looking for a local partner, 'to acquire

cheap companies.’ It now appears that the ‘local’ investor chosen by Soros to expand his holdings in Peru is Parque Arauco, of the SAID Group of Chile.”

Soros has not been immune to scandal in Peru. In September 1993, in the midst of the war against narco-terrorism, George’s brother Paul Soros took out a full-page advertisement in the *New York Times*, which presented Peru with an ultimatum. The government of Peru, said the ad, must dismantle its Armed Forces, in order to restore “investor confidence in democracy.” Said Soros: “When one can be certain that it [military influence on the government] is truly ended, investment values will rise 30, 40, even 50%. In Latin America, whenever the army as an institution is part of the power structure, all investments are discounted, because it introduces an element of instability. As an investor, one likes stability.” A short time later, Paul Soros undertook a joint investment with the Ecuadoran Army, precisely in the border area where the Peru-Ecuador conflict exploded into war in January 1995.

Drug-Legalizing ‘Philanthropy’

Soros’ “philanthropic” support for global drug legalization is the subject of an extensive chapter, and his campaign has been denounced in the United States by former Drug Enforcement Administration chief Tom Constantine and President Bill Clinton’s White House anti-drug policy adviser, Gen. Barry McCaffrey (ret.). As the introduction to the book notes, on Dec. 2, 1996, then-DEA chief Constantine testified before a U.S. Senate committee that George Soros was the primary financier of campaigns in the states of Arizona and California in favor of drug legalization. Constantine said that Soros “gave hundreds of thousands of dollars in California . . . and perhaps double that in Arizona.” Constantine also cited statements that “Soros finances various foundations with hundreds of thousands, if not millions, of dollars,” which, according to the source cited by Constantine, come “from the drug trade.” In the same hearing, McCaffrey confirmed that Soros “participated extensively in the financing of these campaigns” to legalize drugs.

In its Feb. 3, 1997 issue, dedicated to the theme of marijuana legalization, *Newsweek* magazine included an article entitled “The Money Machine: Why Multimillionaire George Soros Is Trying To End the War on Drugs as We Know It.” According to *Newsweek*, Soros says he does not agree with “the totalitarian mentality here [in the United States] regarding the war on drugs. I have dedicated myself to fight this mentality in other countries, and I have decided to dedicate myself to this here.” In an article in the Feb. 2, 1997 *Washington Post*, Soros the “philanthropist” insists that prohibiting drugs is “totalitarian,” and that he supports drug legalization because he wants a totally “open society.”

“Is this society, open to drugs, what the one-worldist promoters of Soros want for Peru? This is something that we Peruvian patriots must not permit,” the book’s introduction concludes.

Russian ‘Media Freedom’: Flight of the ‘Bergoose’

by Konstantin Cherenmykh

Rep. Tom Lantos (D-Calif.) introduced a resolution into the U.S. House of Representatives on May 8, demanding Russia’s suspension from membership in the G-8 organization of leading industrial nations, until its government “restores press freedoms and respect for human rights.” As the chief example of a “free press” suppressed in Russia, Lantos cited Vladimir Gusinsky’s NTV, which was forced into bankruptcy for non-payment of its debts to the state-run natural gas concern Gazprom. Its former owner was arrested, once in Moscow and once in Spain. The profile of Gusinsky’s political and business interests, including what NTV broadcasts, has little to do with the matter of a free press—as our correspondent comments from St. Petersburg.

The inventors of the electric lightbulb, the cinema camera, and the CRT tube contributed their discoveries to a civilization, which no longer exists. That was the civilization of intellectual courage, scientific insight, and a powerful impetus toward a breakthrough to a future where universal education, and therefore a high level of morality, are the rule—in accord with the heavenly destiny of man. The historically optimistic spirit of that Time of Discoveries, about which I know with some precision from my own grandmother, born in 1897, suggested that technological progress was supposed to perfect the human soul, and to promote victory over the atavistic, merely biological properties of human beings, once and forever.

Those enthusiasts of human reason, if they were miraculously awakened from their eternal sleep today, would be most amazed and terrified at our present global civilization, probably perceiving it as a medieval kingdom, populated with young brainless beasts and egocentric hypochondriacs. What would probably be most painful for them, is to see their glorious inventions being used today for a purpose opposed to their own, not for educating, but for stupefying, depraving, and dooming the population.

They would immediately realize that the international mass media have been transformed from a machine of education into a machine of seduction and perversion, propagating a degraded image of man as merely a species of beast. They would realize that this transformation, as well as the reversal of the economic development paradigm, came about through a banal oligarchical plot, in which the mass media were de-