

The Malvinas Was a Great Message To Awaken Us

The following statement was issued on March 31, 2002 by former Argentine Army Col. Mohamed Alí Seineldín, on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the Malvinas War launched by Great Britain against Argentina, following Argentina's April 2, 1982 retaking of those islands. The message was directed to the seminar "The Malvinas War and the Argentine Crisis, 20 Years Later," sponsored by the Ibero-American Solidarity Movement (MSIA), and held on April 2, 2002 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Dearest Ibero-American brothers, gathered in Rio de Janeiro for the seminar "The Malvinas War and the Argentine Crisis, 20 Years Later":

It is a great pleasure for me to be able reach you on this 20th anniversary of the recovery of the Malvinas Islands, in order to talk and make some comments. Ever since that April 2, 1982 when the recovery of the Islands was achieved, and joyous emotions swept the Argentine people, we knew that those Islands were our divine and human inheritance.

This moment was followed by a sad phase after the military setback, which forced us to not only use our hearts, but also our reason. This was the long phase in which we discovered important features of the Islands. We became aware that, in the area surrounding the Islands, there are great reserves of natural resources which are of extreme strategic importance.

We also discovered that it was at that point that a painful process began, which went beyond the borders of our beloved nation, Argentina. Over the course of time, our Ibero-American peoples were gradually subjected to the most evil liberal system in history, through the fraudulent "foreign debt." We were carried off, one by one, by the four Horsemen of the Apocalypse, who visited their hunger, their wars, their diseases, and death upon our people, increasingly tormented in their battle for survival. And so, the crisis reached unimagined heights, and there remains but one alternative: Either we save ourselves together, or we all sink together.

I know that you are gathered not only around the Malvinas effort, but also to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the proposal that our friend Lyndon LaRouche called "Operation Juárez," which urged the governments of the Ibero-American nations to join forces against the colonial offensive which began with the British Empire's colonialist offensive against the Malvinas. Although we didn't know each other at that time, when I was in a military campaign at the head of the 25th Infantry Regiment, LaRouche mobilized his international political movement in defense of Argentine sover-

eignty. The war helped us to know who were our friends and who were our enemies.

Later, and whenever the opportunity came my way, we always tried to bring forces together for the unity of the Greater Fatherland. That was the case with the Second Amphictyonic Congress of Panama, organized in 1988. More recently, beginning May of last year, and already foreseeing the crisis which Argentina would be subjected to, we renewed a more active phase of our cooperation, through the seminars "Brazil-Argentina: The Hour of Truth," which, as I said at the time, was an opportunity to join forces once again: first, to become friends; second, to discuss our marvelous Greater Fatherland; and third, to attempt to concretize this indispensable element of thought and action. I repeat, a new international monetary system, such as that proposed by Lyndon LaRouche, is required.

During this phase which we are now in, and in which we look into the spiritual aspects, the deepest of our being, we ask ourselves: What was the Malvinas War? Here, we must elevate ourselves and address this spiritual part from above. The Malvinas was a great message sent us by the Lord. It was a tremendous alarm to awaken us to the fact that a sad, critical, and difficult phase was coming, such as the one we are experiencing today; and that we each must discover within ourselves the mission to build a common destiny as a continent, and to transmit to our people and to the world this pathway of hope, and not the cruel, egoistic liberal pathway.

To all my dear friends, I send you a strong embrace, and pray to God and the Virgin of Guadalupe, Empress of America, to help us at this critical hour, and to guide us in the definitive effort for Ibero-American unity.

For God and the Greater Fatherland,
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Malvinas War hero Mohamed Alí Seineldín. "A new international monetary system is required."