

# Peruvian Congressman Turns to *EIR* To Beat Back Soros Drug Offensive

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Aug. 28—Last June 5, when a contingent of police officers, with explicit orders not to shoot, and armed only with blanks in their weapons, was ordered to unblock a side street that had been taken over by locals from the Bagua Grande neighborhood, the regional news station La Voz de Bagua broadcast the following lie: that what happened next was a genocide committed against the Indians by the police.

This was one of a number of criminal acts of incitement to riot with which the network of NGOs and media, financed by international drug-trafficker and speculator George Soros, succeeded in setting off a wildfire that month, in the Peruvian jungle, where Bagua is located; the fire caused the death of more than 50 people, including 25 policemen (some of whom were actually assassinated by bow and arrow!).

La Voz de Bagua is the most powerful radio station in the area, and is financially backed by the Legal Defense Institute, an NGO which, in turn, operates with the economic assistance of Soros. Soros also finances the National Coordinator of Radio Stations, a vast radio broadcast network that covers the entire interior of Peru (with nearly 50 radio stations and 27 other media), and which has a greater ability to mobilize than the government itself. The web page of this network ([www.cnr.org.pe](http://www.cnr.org.pe)) advertises its financial connection to Soros Open Society right on its home page.

The involvement of the sinister Soros in the recent bloody uprisings in Bagua has been so scandalous, that on June 16, Congressman Alvaro Gutiérrez, the second vice president of the Congress, gave a press conference in the halls of the legislature, at which he denounced an international conspiracy against the democracy and state of law in Peru, in which certain NGOs are involved, which are promoting acts of violence in the jungle. He therefore called on the Executive power to conduct the most complete investigation into this subversive escalation. Gutiérrez added: the NGOs that are

active in the jungle are financed by the Soros foundation, the Open Society Institute (OSI). The Congressman also named the NGOs: Amazon Watch, Aidesep (Inter-ethnic Association for the Development of the Peruvian Jungle), the Pro-Human Rights Association (APRODEH), the Legal Defense Institute (IDL), and the Andean Commission of Jurists, among others.

Speaking to both the national and international press, Gutiérrez specified that, according to the U.S. magazine *Executive Intelligence Review*, Soros is financing human rights NGOs, for the purpose of using them as smokescreens through which to seize the natural resources of targetted countries. The Congressman concluded by saying that the only winner from the violence is Soros, who, in his zeal to impose the legalization of drugs, is encouraging chaos through which to seek the overthrow of democratic governments.

## Soros's Goal: Legalize Drugs; Stop Development

For more than three decades, the financial oligarchy—through its front man Soros—has channeled money to NGOs to promote the legalization of drugs throughout the continent. The Andean Commission of Jurists, an institution created by the British Intelligence Service MI6, has been key in carrying out Soros's plans on the continent. Between 1980 and 1990, the Commission was the main source of funding to the coca-growing movements, and helped promote the political career of Bolivian President Evo Morales, then a leader of the coca-growers, who came out of the ranks of the Bolivian Socialist Falange, a fascist party founded in 1937. One of the main objectives of the Morales Presidency has been the legalization of coca cultivation, which is in the interest of the multinational drug and money mafia.

In recent weeks, there has been a flood of arguments pouring out in favor of drug legalization, and to dis-



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*The involvement of the sinister George Soros in the recent bloody uprisings in Bagua, has prompted Congressman Alvaro Gutiérrez to denounce an international conspiracy against Peru by Soros-backed NGOs. Soros, shown here, at the UN in 2006.*

credit any effort to stop the drug trade. The buzzword phrase “harm reduction,” has also been bandied about. In Buenos Aires, the First Latin American Conference on Drug Policy, based on precisely this argument, was just held. It comes as no surprise, of course, that this event was financed by Soros’s OSI and the British government. But, as is already clear, the true objective of these campaigns is to block any action that threatens the drug trade, and to preserve the Amazon as free territory for the drug-trafficking mafia.

### **Dope, Inc. Wants the Amazon**

This intention was blatantly declared by Ricardo Soberón, another Soros employee, in an article entitled, “Peruvian Amazon: war for resources and against drugs,” published June 22 on the website of the Transnational Institute, an organization itself financed by Soros Open Society. In that article, Soberón argues that, behind the war on drugs, which he condemns, is the plan to *rearrange the Amazon territory at the will of*

*companies, conglomerates, and megaprojects. In fact, a gigantic effort, to be carried out by Brazil and Peru, is already underway, to electrify the Amazon with a network of hydroelectric projects. The construction will begin in Peru, and will enable the electrification of the entire Brazilian West with the production of more than 30,000 megawatts. According to this Soros employee, this must stop immediately, leaving the jungle as it is, or better stated, handed over in its entirety to the cartels, as is already in fact occurring.*

His hatred of development, and of the great infrastructure projects linking Brazil and Peru, has led Soberón to attack the Initiative for the Integration of South American Regional Infrastructure (IIRSA), intended to join the Atlantic to the Pacific through river and land corridors. Despite the previous Soros-controlled Peruvian governments of Valentín Paniagua and Alejandro Toledo, there have been advances in the integration efforts between Peru and Brazil, in particular, for example, the use by Peru of the Amazon Vigilance System (SIVAM); the construction of inter-ocean highways within the framework of IIRSA; and the construction of six hydroelectric plants in the high Peruvian jungle, to provide cheap energy to the Brazilian border states of Acre and Rondonia.

The development of the Amazon is key to the future of Peru, and that is why integration with Brazil cannot be postponed. But today, thanks to the permissive policies put in place by Toledo (whose administration, from the very beginning, was run by Soros people like Diego García Sayán and Hugo Cabieses, among others), Peru today is on the verge of becoming a narco-state. A large portion of Peruvian territory is already in the hands of the drug mafias.

Since the fall of the Fujimori government in 2000, the production of coca has more than doubled. Today, Peru produces and exports cocaine; and all the analysts are warning that in two to three years, Peru could become the world’s leading producer of coca and cocaine. According to recent reports by DEVIDA, the office in charge of fighting drugs in Peru, the drug trade is today by far the biggest income producer in the Peruvian economy, and significantly surpasses any other productive sector, representing nearly 18% of the GNP, as compared to 16% represented by all legal manufacturing combined. Today, the drug trade accounts for more than \$22 billion a year, while in 2000, it was only valued at \$8 billion a year, thus, nearly tripling in less than ten years!