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On Asian tour, Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr. (left) visits high-energy physics laboratory, Tsukuba City, Japan, November 1984.

LaRouche Movement Holds First Australia Conference

One hundred sixty people attended the first ever conference of the LaRouche movement in Australia on May 29-30. Held in the southern city of Melbourne, the conference was co-sponsored by the Citizens' Electoral Council, a registered national Australian political party of Lyndon LaRouche's Australian co-thinkers, and by Executive Intelligence Review magazine, of which LaRouche is founding editor.

Conference participants, many of them farmers, traveled to Melbourne from all over the continent. They heard speakers from the U.S., India, Mexico, Hungary, Germany, and Australia talk about the role Australia has to play in the economic and cultural development of the Pacific-Indian Oceans Basin.

Australia's Cultural Purpose

In his keynote address, taped from his prison cell in Rochester, Minn., Lyndon LaRouche called upon Australians to realize the potentials of European Christian civilization within themselves to the benefit of other people in Asia. "The great challenge of

this period, I propose, is to bring the Confucian heritage of China to its proper realization as, for example, Leibniz, among others, recognized that, and as Sun Yatsen, one of the great leaders of modern China, also recognized that.

"The European Christian tradition—the Christian Platonic tradition—which gave us modern science, which gave us every useful achievement which European civilization has contributed to mankind in general; this is our heritage. This is the heritage which we must share, especially with its most crucial values, with our friends who represent Chinese and other heritages in this part of the planet.

"We must give Australia a purpose for existence, a cultural purpose for existence in terms of the entirety of the Western Pacific and Indian Oceans Basin. Australia must make itself indispensable to the peoples of this region."

Responsibility for the World

Other speakers included:

- **Tibor Kovats**, a former political pris-

oner from Hungary who spoke on the current crisis in the Balkans and Eastern Europe;

- **Marivilla Carrasco**, chairman of the LaRouche movement's affiliate in Mexico, who had conducted an eight-day tour of Australia prior to the conference, reporting on the destructive effects of "free trade" policies in Ibero-America;

- LaRouche spokesman **Mel Klenetsky** discussed the millennia-long epistemological battle between Plato and Aristotle, emphasizing the concept of Plato's *Republic*;

- **Ramtanu Maitra** of EIR's New Delhi office proposed the water projects required for Asian infrastructure development;

- **Al Douglas**, from EIR's Asia desk, spoke on the collapse of the twentieth-century Versailles System;

- **Hadaasha Maryum**, a talk show host from African-American radio station KUCB in Des Moines, Iowa, discussed the lessons of the American Civil Rights movement and the moral responsibility of each and every individual to act for all humanity;

- Australians **John Koehler** and **Denis Collins** presented the economic policies required to rebuild their country;

- EIR Asia editor **Linda de Hoyos** spoke on the ecumenical basis for Asian development;

- and **Uwe Friesecke** of the Schiller Institute in Germany spoke on the strategic challenge to the world resulting from the failure of the Western governments to stop the genocide in Bosnia and carry out LaRouche's "Productive Triangle" program.

Schiller Institute founder Helga Zepp-LaRouche, concluded the conference by videotape, delivering a strategic address on the destruction of the sovereign nation-state as a result of the Balkans war, and calling on Australians to assume responsibility for all of mankind.