

“socialist” ideologues such as Lord Bertrand Russell imposed Chairman Mao Zedong upon the Chinese people to keep them backward.³

“The problem now is precisely that China is growing *stronger economically*,” he said. “China may look more benign now than under Mao, but it is exactly this economic development which will put actual power behind Beijing’s expansionary desires.”

“Just look at the map!” he fulminated. “China looms over everything. If it were an empty space, that would be one thing—but it ain’t.”

Munro goes into a Rumpelstiltskin fit over China’s Eurasian Land-Bridge policy. His *Foreign Affairs* article hit at “China’s close military cooperation with the former Soviet Union,” and its increased “technological and political help to the Islamic countries of Central Asia,” which put China “at the center of an informal network of states which have goals and philosophies inimical to those of the United States.”

In his recent interview, Munro singled out “something which is of the highest strategic importance: Chinese strategic thinkers talk often about the ‘New Silk Road’—quote, unquote. It relates to rail lines, highways, and petroleum pipelines, leading from Xinjiang, into Central Asia and even into Europe. . . .

“But also it’s not too far, if you look at the map, from the Persian Gulf,” he continued, in the March 10 interview. “China itself is not too far removed from the Gulf, when you look at western Xinjiang. Given China’s increasing ties with Iran, I wait for the day when an Iran-China consortium will propose a whole New Silk Road set of links between the two countries. . . .

“It will be comparable in the next century, to what the Panama Canal was in the last century,” Munro said. “It will change the whole strategic picture in that region, make China a real presence well to the west of its territory, just as the Panama Canal allowed the U.S. to spread its influence south.”

Munro also predicted that “there will be a war” between the United States and China at some point, “most likely over Taiwan, where China’s desire to invade, grows with her growing military strength.” His greatest concern is to prevent any alliance, such as that envisioned by President Franklin D. Roosevelt, between China and the United States, and recently mooted by President Clinton in an interview with the *London Observer’s* Martin Walker (see p. 66), in which he specifically invoked FDR’s wartime alliance. “China’s eagerness to improve the Sino-American mood represents a tactical gesture” of deception, Munro wrote in *Foreign Affairs*.

With friends like Kissinger . . .

All this recent media China-bashing served as the perfect pretext for the Royal Institute of International Affairs’ (Chat-

ham House’s) self-described agent-of-influence, Sir Henry A. Kissinger, to publicly “defend” the Chinese-American relationship. For years, British agent Kissinger has posed as the only real “friend of China,” and the man with whom Beijing has to deal in the United States. Bernstein and Munro fueled this hoax, by building up Kissinger in their book as the head of a mythical “New China Lobby,” a subject to which they devoted an entire chapter. Kissinger Associates and other U.S. firms which lobby for trade with China were accused by Munro and Bernstein of being paid Beijing lobbyists.

Kissinger, in a March 12 speech in Manila, played his role as “friend of Beijing” to the hilt, urging that the United States foster “a cooperative but realistic relationship with China, willing to give them a real stake in the international system and welcoming their participation.” Yet, at the height of his “China Card” policy, Kissinger made plain his real British geopolitical views, regarding the need to keep China weak. “Once China becomes strong enough to stand alone, it might discard us,” Kissinger wrote in 1979. “A little later, it might turn against us.”⁴

4. Henry Kissinger, *The White House Years* (Boston: Little, Brown & Co., 1979), p. 1,091.

British put ‘American’ face on China-bashing

by Kathy Wolfe

Following a major strategic conference by the London International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS) on the danger of a Russia-China Partnership, on March 6-7 in San Francisco, Britain’s Baroness Caroline Cox and her Christian Solidarity International (CSI) have begun what they call a “grassroots mobilization” across the United States, to manipulate the average American against China. The CSI effort is nothing more than a British intelligence dirty tricks campaign to sabotage the Clinton administration’s policy toward China and East Asia.

Within days of the San Francisco IISS seminar, an anti-Chinese rally was held in Long Beach, California, protesting the investment of a Chinese shipping company in a facility there. Simultaneously, bills were introduced into the U.S. Congress, condemning China in language which has not been heard in Washington since the Bush administration’s jingoist Persian Gulf War propaganda against Iraq.

This so-called “popular movement” is being foisted upon U.S. citizens not only by British spooks, but even by the silver

3. Michael O. Billington, “The British Role in the Creation of Maoism,” *EIR*, Sept. 11, 1992, p. 48.

spoon set at the British House of Lords. James B. Jacobson, president of Christian Solidarity International U.S.A., the U.S. spokesman for Lady Cox, told a journalist on March 14, that Lady Cox and CSI are working with CSI board members Reps. Frank Wolf (R-Va.) and Chris Smith (R-N.J.), to raise a “grassroots storm against China’s persecution of Christians. . . . Next to this, the current scandal about China and President Clinton’s political contributions will look like a tempest in a teapot,” Jacobson said.

Sir George Bush’s former ambassador to China, James R. Lilley, also got into the act, dropping Bush’s pro-China cover with a broadside in Rev. Sun Myung Moon’s *Washington Times* on March 17, against Chinese “espionage” via campaign funds inside the United States.

Also joining the drive to throw China to the lions is the New York-based Freedom House, founded and still chaired by the old Cold Warriors Leo Cherne and Max Kampelman, and steered by board members Zbigniew Brzezinski and Samuel Huntington. Freedom House, which was the intelligence conduit for the demonstrations for “Soviet Jewry” in the 1970s, could care less about the millions of Jews and others starving right now in Russia under International Monetary Fund (IMF) conditionalities. Yet they are happily organizing such demonstrations again—this time, against China—under the cynical cover of “saving Christians.”

London fears Chinese-Russian cooperation

The London IISS conference was entitled “Sino-Russian Accommodation and Asia’s Evolving Balance of Power.” Interviews with participants and speech outlines obtained by *EIR* indicate that London is rather distressed over the mere possibility that China and Russia might cooperate in the Eurasian Land-Bridge project—even though any real collaboration is hamstrung for now, by the IMF “reformers,” like First Deputy Prime Minister Anatoli Chubais, who dominate the new Moscow cabinet. The conference was organized and chaired by Gerald Segal of IISS, who since 1993 has called for the breakup of China, as indicated by his “balkanization” map, printed in the May 1994 edition of the Council on Foreign Relations magazine *Foreign Affairs* (Figure 2).

A debate on how to counter China’s push for the Eurasian Land-Bridge occurred, one participant told *EIR*, with some participants quite fearful that China, far from falling apart, will greatly improve relations with Russia so as to “enhance China’s profile as a great power.” Others raved that China will use railroads and oil pipelines to grab the natural resources of Central Asia and dominate it, which will greatly enhance China’s strategic position.

Prof. Gilbert Rozman of Princeton University, who gave the “motivating” overview, warned that he is “prepared to argue that mid-term and long-term factors” which will bring China and Russia ever closer together, may well be stronger



Baroness Caroline Cox, deputy speaker of the British House of Lords, and her Christian Solidarity International have begun a “grassroots mobilization” to manipulate the average American against China. Here, Cox testifying before the House International Relations Committee in March 1996.

than obstacles which could drive the two nations apart. Russia wants “an increasingly close relationship with China,” and China “has responded favorably,” he said, predicting that this will continue.

The possibility of such an alliance must be stopped, Rozman concluded, and posed, as his final discussion item, the question: “What actions by the United States, other great powers, or global financial markets, would be likely to change this [China-Russia] partnership?”

Days later, on March 14, the California port of Long Beach almost saw an anti-Chinese riot erupt at a meeting called by the city government, to discuss plans to lease an unused naval base to a Chinese shipping line. Environmentalists, preservationists, right-wing populists, and so-called human rights activists mobilized hundreds of protesters to oppose the project, under which China’s state-owned China Ocean Shipping Co. (Cosco), a civilian merchant fleet, is to lease most of the vacant terminal. Alarmists railed that letting the Chinese in “will open the area to smuggling of heroin, nuclear warheads, illegal immigrants, and arms,” and bring the use of “Chinese coolie labor” into southern California. In fact, Cosco has been leasing space in Long Beach since this

was arranged by Vice President George Bush in 1981, as part of the Reagan administration's Most Favored Nation policy toward China.

Red Baroness's crusade

Following an editorial page commentary in the March 13 *Washington Times* by the neo-conservative syndicated columnist Mona Charen, entitled "Accepting Blood Money from China," Britain's House of Lords has gotten directly into the China-bashing act, via Baroness Caroline Cox. Cox's Christian Solidarity International and its co-thinkers have begun flooding the press with charges that millions of Chinese Christians are being "persecuted, tortured, and harassed by the Chinese government."

Lady Cox of Queensbury has become infamous among African intellectuals as a blood-stained butcher, for her organization's prominent role in providing propaganda cover for the British-backed Ugandan aggressions against neighbors Sudan and Zaire, on behalf of Anglo-American strategic metals cartels. A Life Peer appointed by Baroness Margaret Thatcher, Cox works closely with Lady Thatcher and Baroness Lynda Chalker, Britain's overseas development minister, to lobby in Washington for the United States to overthrow African governments disliked by the British Crown, such as those of Sudan and Zaire.

CSI was founded by Rev. Canon Michael Bourdeaux, head of the Keston Institute in Oxford, England, which provides intelligence on foreign nations for the Archbishop of Canterbury, the BBC, the Royal Institute of International Affairs (overlords of the CFR and *Foreign Affairs*), and other Empire centers.

Not content with the genocide of a few million Africans, the "Red Baroness" next aims at instigating fratricide among 1.2 billion Chinese, some 70 million of whom are reportedly Christian.

To help this along, Reps. Frank Wolf and Christopher Smith, Christian Solidarity board members and frequent spokesmen for genocide in Africa on behalf of the baroness's CSI, have, according to Wolf's top foreign policy aide, begun a new initiative against China and President Clinton's China policy. Along with others, they have drafted a Freedom from Religious Persecution Act of 1997, which *inter alia* denounces China for mass persecutions of Christians. "This will be to China what the Jackson-Vanik legislation was to the Soviet Union in the 1970s," wrote Charen.

"We work with Baroness Cox and CSI all the time, and it will be great to get the support of the House of Lords," Wolf's aide told a reporter on March 14.

To kick off the process, last Sept. 24, Representative Wolf put House Resolution 515, which denounces China, along with Sudan and Islamic nations generally, as the world's biggest persecutors of Christians, through a unanimous full House vote. "Whereas there are more documented cases of Christians in prison or in detention in China, than in any other

country in the world . . ." the resolution states; "whereas both Evangelical Protestants house church groups and Roman Catholics have been targetted and named 'a principal threat to political stability' by the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China," and so on.

Wolf then held a press conference on Feb. 13, to announce a request to Attorney General Janet Reno, for "the immediate appointment of an independent counsel to investigate" the China funding scandal. At Wolf's asking, the House Judiciary Committee on March 14 voted to second the request. The so-called "China funding scandal," which was launched by an illegal leak from the FBI to the *Washington Post's* Bob Woodward and Brian Duffy in February, is based on purported National Security Agency intercepts at the Chinese embassy in Washington, suggesting that the Chinese government planned to influence the outcome of the 1996 elections by spreading \$2 million to Congressional candidates.

Clash of what?

The text of the House resolution, it turns out, was lifted verbatim from a recent book published by the New York-based Freedom House, *In the Lions Den*, by Nina Shae. It charges that since 1996, persecution in China has been worse than during the Cultural Revolution—a dubious claim, given the millions who died during the Cultural Revolution, and the eyewitness reports of U.S. Congressmen who have visited China in the past 12 months, and noted significant progress in the area of human rights.

Key board members of Freedom House, as noted above, are Zbigniew Brzezinski and his protégé Samuel Huntington, authors of the infamous "clash of civilizations" thesis, which defines the post-Cold War era as pitting "the West against the rest," especially China and the Islamic nations.

On March 18, the neo-conservative weekly *Human Events* sponsored a Washington forum which declared war against both President Clinton and China. Editor Terry Jeffrey, Rep. Gerald Solomon (R-N.Y.), Pat Buchanan, Gary Bauer of the Family Research Council, and others, vied to paint an ever-worse picture of China. Representative Solomon hysterically claimed that with the lease of the closed Long Beach Naval base to Cosco, "this enemy of democracy has now established a beachhead in the United States." Solomon seconded Representative Wolf's call for a special prosecutor to probe the alleged Chinese interference in the 1996 elections, but then trumped Wolf with his demand: "We must act at this point to begin the process of preparation that might lead to impeachment" of President Clinton and Vice President Gore.

Masquerading under teary-eyed concern for Christians, we have here a bunch of London-run spooks, targetting both China and the Clinton administration. It's a quite avoidable clash of foreign intelligence operations, not an "unavoidable clash of civilizations."