

## British vow to rip apart the world's nation-states

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Lyndon LaRouche, one of three leading pre-candidates for the Democratic Party Presidential nomination, has issued a stinging warning that the latest Clinton administration folly, of blindly backing a British-orchestrated new strategic destabilization in the Asia-Pacific region, brings us one step closer to a World War III that could see the use of nuclear weapons.

LaRouche's Sept. 17 statement was corroborated, one day earlier, by a senior aide to the British Royal Consort, Prince Philip, who boasted to an American journalist that British Foreign Office policy was to bust up Russia, China, and Indonesia, in a replay of Britain's 19th-century imperialist dogma of "divide and conquer"—just the policy that brought on World War I.

LaRouche wrote: "Once again, as in launching the 1964-1975 Indo-China war, the U.S. government has foolishly ignored General of the Armies Douglas MacArthur's warnings against wading into 'a land war in Asia.'

"For those leading military and political circles who are still capable of clear thinking, this ill-conceived, hypocritical, East Timor caper of the UNO could spread quickly into becoming one of the worst strategic catastrophes of the presently closing century. Only the British monarchy's terrorist operations in Transcaucasia and Central Asia, represent a more likely cause for the eruption of something akin to 'World War III' before the end of this century.

"Bringing the British monarchy, whose Queen is the head of state of Australia, into the command of the intervention into East Timor, will have no effect but to turn an already terrible situation in Indonesia into the detonator of a potential political 'Krakatoa explosion' for the United States and others viewed as authors of this latest piece of strategic folly.

"Three of the simpler and clearer aspects of this complex situation in Indonesia are notable.

"First, the entire operation run in Timor and its vicinity, since 1975, has been the fruit of a continuing operation by the historic colonial powers operating in the region since the original colonialization by the Portuguese colonialists. Australia, whose ruler is the Queen of England, has been the base of operations for continuing operations of the British Empire in progress since London moved into the position of the leading colonial power of the Indian Ocean and western Pacific region beginning 1763. It was the British and Dutch imperial interests who attempted to reconquer Indonesia for Netherlands at the close of World War II.

"Second, the leading interest of the British monarchy in the East Timor region is two-fold. It is both a major oil-and-gas steal by London-based petroleum interests, and a part of the British monarchy's present policy of breaking up Indonesia as a whole into a group of helpless, and looted, micro-states. One recalls the long war between Bolivia and Paraguay, a war fought chiefly as a London and Wall Street contest for control of petroleum deposits in that region.

"Third, the current, British-led (e.g., Australia, Robin Cook, et al.) targetting of Indonesia and its oil-gas reserves, through the East Timor mess, is, in reality, a part of the British monarchy's stated intent to bring about a form of world government based upon a combination of supranational authorities and the reduction of existing nation-states to micro-states. Even the U.S.A. itself is the declared target for such chopping of existing sovereign nations into pathetic little parts.

"All of this policy is being conducted under the umbrella of the doctrine set forth by Britain's Prime Minister Tony Blair, in Chicago, and elsewhere, during the period of the recent Washington, D.C. NATO summit.

"It should also be noted, that the present NATO after-action reports on the recent war against Yugoslavia, show that

the entire NATO action has turned out to be one of the worst pieces of hypocrisy and incompetence in modern European history. Unfortunately, the hypocritical moralizing which was used to motivate both the recent Balkans war and the present adventure in Indonesia, reflects the degeneration of the financial and political classes of most of the world's leading nations to a level of decadence unimaginable, prior to the folly of Richard Nixon's August 1971 launching of that lunatic 'floating exchange-rate monetary system' which has brought the entire world now to the brink of the worst and biggest, global financial collapse in the history of either European civilization, or even the known history of the world at large.

"All of this should remind us, that now is the time for a sweeping, and immediate change in the political and economic leadership of most of the world's nations, including our own."

### Prince Philip's aide spills the beans

One day before LaRouche issued that warning, Martin Palmer, adviser on "religious and cultural affairs" to Britain's self-avowed genocidalist Prince Philip, confirmed that British policy today is aimed at the breakup of the nation-state system and provoking war and chaos on a global scale.

Palmer declared that "the current global political situation can only be likened to the movements of continental plates, in a geological sense. We are experiencing tectonic changes. We are now seeing the final *denouement* of the processes unleashed in 1914. It is a process of the breakup of huge empires. Russia is breaking up, and we see the dying gasps of the old tsarist control of Central Asia, with the sudden emergence of nationalities that no one heard of for centuries. In Indonesia, East Timor is a fault line. If East Timor goes, then Aceh will go the same way, and then, what about the other islands? The fact is, Indonesia has no logic for existence. It is an empire that was formed in the process of combat against another empire. We are seeing the collapse of empires, like the Soviet empire was, that were formed in fights against other empires."

As a consequence of this, Palmer continued, "new small nations are emerging. Don't only look at the growing autonomy of Scotland and Wales. Look at Central Asia, where we see the assertion of tiny little Khanates that have not been heard of for 500 years. For that matter, look at Dagestan, or at the sub-sections emerging in Georgia. The huge, tectonic plates of empires are shifting."

Palmer confirmed that it is "absolutely fundamental to British policy" to encourage the process of "breakup of empires." "British foreign policy, for the last 200 years, has been based on one central idea, the breakup of other empires. The idea of sowing divisions among the Arab states, is axiomatic to the British Foreign Office. The Foreign Office is obsessed with breaking up the hold that Russia has on Central Asia. Look at the popularity of the books of Peter Hopkirk [the semi-official chronicler for the Foreign Office on the recent

history of Eurasia, whose book *The Great Game* was reviewed in *EIR*, Sept. 28, 1990—ed.]. There is a deep fascination with these matters in Britain. Any encroachment toward India or Turkey is regarded as antithetical to British interests."

Palmer concluded, with a chuckle: "Perfidious Albion is alive and kicking. The British Foreign Office has a certain agenda, which is continued divide and rule."

That such policies are at odds with everything that the United States ought to stand for in the diplomatic arena, is obvious. Yet, President Clinton's failure, to date, to stick with his better political judgment and make a decisive, irreversible break with Tony Blair and those in the British Establishment who have put him forward as the new Ramsey McDonald, fuels British dreams of pitting "British brain and American brawn" against the rest of the world.

### NATO's Kosovo fiasco

As LaRouche noted, after-action reports are beginning to surface, on the war against Yugoslavia. And the conclusions coming out of the official Pentagon and NATO reviews are in line with *EIR*'s own earlier assessment, that the air war was a fiasco from beginning to end, and that the entire NATO war-fighting doctrine for the post-Cold War world is the worst form of utopian insanity.

According to the Sept. 20 issue of *U.S. News & World Report*, Pentagon planners have concluded that NATO SA-CEUR Gen. Wesley Clark's strategy of deploying fighter jets against mobile Serb units inside Kosovo was a colossal failure. "The campaign against mobile targets was a near failure," one senior NATO official told the magazine.

According to the story, a review of the Kosovo war, presented by Adm. James Ellis, Clark's second-in-command, concluded that "we called this one absolutely wrong." NATO planners originally forecast that Yugoslav President Milošević would back down after two to four days of bombing. And, six weeks into the war, NATO had totally failed to anticipate the Serbian genocide against the Kosovar Albanians. "The end result was thousands of dead and over 1.5 million refugees," according to a study prepared by Anthony Cordesman for the U.S. Air Force.

Within weeks of the outbreak of the war, according to *U.S. News*, a rift developed between Clark and Gen. Michael Short, the head of the NATO air command. Clark insisted that high-altitude bombers be sent after Serbian troops engaging in the ethnic cleansing campaign inside Kosovo, a feat that Short insisted was nearly impossible. Clark prevailed, and the NATO campaign largely consisted of dumping tons of ordnance on empty spaces and civilian targets. After NATO teams visited 900 bombing sites in Kosovo, they found that only 26 Yugoslav tanks had been hit! *U.S. News* noted, "Some NATO analysts think pilots hit many more decoys than at first thought—including some that were inflatable—and that the Serbs may have set damaged tanks out to be struck over and over."