

## Editorial

### *An Urgent Memorial Day Message*

So rapidly is the international situation now shifting downwards, into a deeper crisis of threatening war and depression, that Lyndon LaRouche—now very well known worldwide for having made clear the shift toward a “perpetual warfare” state since last Sept. 11—has announced plans for a second international webcast in this month of May.

LaRouche’s May 1 webcast is printed in this issue, including its hours of international dialogue with leaders and ordinary citizens all over the world. Through it, he made tangible what a profound paradigm-shift in thinking of leaders, and in so-called “public opinion,” is necessary if the world is to be pulled back from the brink of a collapse into global religious warfare—warfare which will leave nothing standing of the civilization which all the great religions have striven for. Economic collapse is enabling that war drive to intensify. Only if the shock of the manifestations of that collapse moves nations to attack it along LaRouche’s policy lines, can the descent to war be stopped.

Thus, even while the record of the May 1 webcast is circulating around the world, an international Memorial Day webcast is set for Tuesday, May 28, at 1:00 p.m. EDT. It will be conducted to further the process

of an international combination of leadership and citizenry to turn the world back from a new dark age of war.

The solemn statement below, issued by LaRouche on May 9, is a call to rally the people of America, and friends of justice worldwide, to use this dialogue, and LaRouche’s known voice, to change the worsening crisis.

“After the close of the first of the two world wars of the last century, our republic committed itself to remember in perpetuity those who had fallen in battles. Let us remember them today.

“Thus, when I returned from the last world war, I passed the house of a boyhood friend, Leon, the sole companion of the aging grandparents who had raised him. As I came up the sidewalk to a place by the front windows of that house, I saw a gold star in the window. I shall never forget that awesome moment.

“Let us therefore pledge, as President Lincoln did, that if government must send men to die in war, let the war end as quickly as possible, and let the leaders of our nation be assured in advance, that the citizen’s sacrifice not be in vain. Let us pledge as much wisdom as we are capable of calling forth today, to that end.”

