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The oldest hath borne most: we that are young
Shall never see so much, nor live so long.

—Lear

Author Stanislav Mikhailovich Menshikov brings unique qualifications to this painstaking dissection of the realities of the Russian economy of today. Born the son of Mikhail Sergeyevich Menshikov, the highly regarded Soviet Ambassador to Washington of the Khrushchov era, Stanislav Menshikov celebrated his 80th birthday in Moscow earlier this year, at an event at the Russian Academy of Sciences, attended as well by foreign guests including Lyndon LaRouche and his wife Helga Zepp-LaRouche. In between times, Menshikov served his country as a leading analyst of the U.S. and other Western economies, then spent six years in the UN Secretariat studying Third-World development, and finally turned his skills to helping gives any sense of it to compare with Menshikov’s The Anatomy of Russian Capitalism.

Translator Rachel Douglas has been intimately associated with Lyndon LaRouche for decades as an intellectual and political leader and a Russia and Russian-language specialist. The wide knowledge of LaRouche’s work in Russia owes much to her untiring dedication, and her translation of Professor Menshikov’s work speaks for itself.