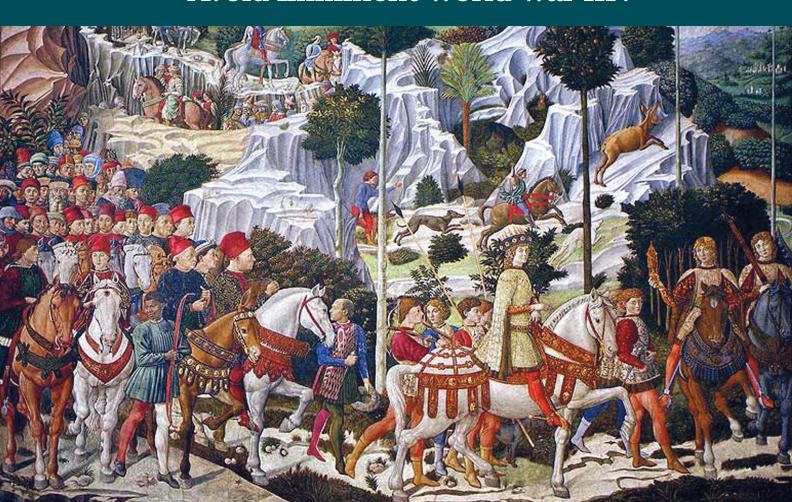


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From the Managing Editor

The image on our cover, a fresco by the Florentine Renaissance artist Benozzo Gozzoli, presents us with a biting irony: It depicts the New Testament story of the "Journey of the Magi," who bring gifts to the newborn Jesus in Bethlehem. But in Gozzoli's treatment, the voyage is to Great Council of Florence in 1439, whose purpose was to unify the Byzantine and Roman churches, under the wise leadership of Cardinal Nicholas of Cusa. Here, the "Magi" are portraits of the all-too-earthly members of the Medici family and other none-too-sacred notables.

Cusa's "dialogue of civilizations" is a reference point for those of us today who wish, as Helga Zepp-LaRouche expressed it in her speech at Rhodes (*Feature*), to avoid "crashing into a brick wall," and instead, begin to "think from above," to usher in, at long last, a civilization based on the common aims of mankind.

At the other end of the issue you will find a transcript of Lyndon LaRouche's Oct. 12 webcast, second in the Friday night LPAC-TV series leading up to the Nov. 6 Presidential elections, in which he once again lays out the measures needed to lift the nation and the world out of the present "wreckage," still possible, even at this late date. This means, especially, rising above the party system, and acting on behalf of the nation and humanity.

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For Unity in Diversity and Concern for Mankind's Future

by Helga Zepp-LaRouche

Oct. 13—The conference to mark the tenth anniversary of the World Public Forum "Dialogue of Civilizations" (WPFDC), which took place Oct. 3-8 in Rhodes, Greece, left no doubt in the minds of the participants: In one decade, an international movement has emerged, which is becoming one of the most important counterpoles to those seeking to force the world into a unipolar structure, be it through "regime change" or coercion of any other kind. Despite the variety of topics covered and the diversity of the world views represented, there emerged nonetheless a common identity among the majority of participants with respect to the philosophy of the forum, that includes dialogue as a means of conflict resolution, and the principle of respect for other civilizations and cultures.

It was not only the geographical proximity to the Middle East crisis—Rhodes is just ten nautical miles from the coast of Turkey—that drew the participants' attention to the acute danger of war. The conference opened with a video by MIT Prof. Noam Chomsky, who warned of the immediate threat to the entire world from an escalation of the tension around Iran, and even the danger of nuclear war. Chomsky pointed out that Israel had recently received advanced submarines from Germany, from which nuclear-tipped missiles can be fired. There could be little doubt that these submarines would join the vast U.S. armada that is now advancing through the Persian Gulf; an incident there could trig-

ger a devastating war, a threat that must be averted through diplomacy and negotiations.

The chairman and co-founder of the forum, Vladimir Yakunin; the vice-chairman, Prof. Fred Dallmayr of Notre Dame University in Indiana, USA; and also this writer, warned of the danger of a world war. This is no formal or academic issue, but one of whether humanity itself has a future, Professor Dallmayr insisted to participants in a round table discussion on the legacy of J.C. Kapur, an Indian national and the main inspirer of the forum, who died two years ago.

With six plenary sessions and a dozen round tables, 550 high-level participants from 65 nations, and given the plethora of themes and ideas presented, the testimony of a single reporter may perforce only touch upon some aspects. Multiple speakers articulated the desire for the creation of a new order that spans civilizations, and would enable the most sublime aspirations and achievements of the highest potentials of mankind, which have been lost almost completely in the modern world, where the boundless wealth concentrated in the hands of so few collides with the inequality and the loss of human dignity for so many, as Francisco Tatad from the Philippines put it.

No to Cultural and Economic Liberalism

Most participants agreed that the main reason for the desolate state of the world lies in the liberal economic model, and that this model has failed completely.

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Several speakers referred to the lessons of history, that all empires and hegemonic powers inevitably brought about their own demise.

In contrast, the speech which stood out with almost unreal arrogance was that of Hans-Jörg Rudloff, chairman of Barclays Capital, the investment banking arm of the bank. This man, whose bank was in the forefront of the Libor interest-rate manipulation, in which customers were defrauded over the years by hundreds of billions (of which he knew nothing, of course), brandished the big stick. Anyone who attacks the methods of creative investment banking, he said, threatens the pensions of ordinary people, prevents investments, and is moving in the direction of the National Socialists (i.e., Nazis), who also attacked finance capital. If this speech contributed anything, it was as an illustration of the axiomatics that underlie the crisis.

A recurring theme was the utter collapse of moral values, the disappearance of any rules in the social order, and the consequent plunge into archaic and barbaric behavior. From different philosophical or religious standpoints, there was a demand for a renaissance toward the highest standards that are in accord with human dignity. Whether it was the ethical standard of the monks of Mount Athos, or the values of the Catholic Church, or the revival of Confucianism in China, the common denominator was the rejection of the cultural liberalization and decadence that are associated with globalization, and a return to the cultural roots of the different cultures and civilizations. Respect for the principle of equality of cultures and civilizations makes possible dialogue and mutual understanding.

Respecting questions of historically developed identity, there were very interesting presentations on the role of the Byzantine tradition in Europe, and on the issue of Eurasian integration. But also questions about technology and economic policy, from the implications of nanotechnology to infrastructure projects offered for different regions of the world, presented ideas and perspectives on how the current crisis of humanity could be overcome.

The Basis for Dialogue

An analyst from Portugal, Ghoncheh Tazmini, presented a well-received analysis of the Western approach towards Iran, which is characterized by a dogmatic universalism that in no way reflects the real transformations that have taken place in different cultures.

The era of a fixed, Eurocentric, inflexible idea of

modernity has come to an end, he said. How is a country like Iran to find its own way to adapt to global economic realities, as is deemed necessary, if the West tries incessantly to "tame" it, or force it to submit to Western pressure and permanent threats? The West associates Iranian President Ahmadinejad with apocalyptic scenarios, but it should be remembered that Iran was already labeled as a member of the "axis of evil" under the Presidency of the reformer Khatami. The policy of "carrot and stick" must come to an end; Iranians are not rabbits, he declared. The new policy must be based on the principle of "unity in diversity."

Prof. Hans Köchler of the International Progress Organization (IPO) in Vienna defended his call for a Dialogue of Civilizations, which he had proposed in 1972 in a letter to the Unesco philosophy section, as being in no way discredited or a utopian dream. It is the absolutely necessary antidote to such slogans as R2P, "Responsibility to Protect," a policy that provided the pretext for direct intervention in Libya, and now, indirect intervention against Syria, he said. The idea of dialogue of civilizations is now the vision of a global community of like-minded people.

Of course, the Rhodes Forum will not immediately stop the current threat of a third, thermonuclear, world war. But in the ten years of its existence, it has set a process in motion that gives a taste of a future world community that has renounced once and for all the barbarous use of war as a means of conflict resolution, and which makes respect for the the human dignity of all people on this planet the standard for relations between individuals and nations. And it is very good and important that some of the great nations of the world such as Russia, India, and China sent representatives to this important forum.

It is indicative of the state of affairs that this very promising and positive forum, which incidentally is planning many new initiatives for the future, received scant coverage in the Western media. But the spirit of J.C. Kapur is still alive, and he will be proven correct in his view that the cosmic order, the laws of physical creation, must assert themselves. The future of humanity—if there is to be one—will have as its leitmotif Nicholas of Cusa's idea of unity in diversity, and the idea that humanity represents a higher value than the subjugation of the world under the unipolar dictatorship of heterogeneous secondary interests.

—Translated from German by Daniel Platt. Three of the speeches from the Forum are excerpted below.

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A Vision for the Future of Humanity

Helga Zepp-LaRouche, founder of the international Schiller Institute (www.schillerinstitute.org), delivered this address to the Oct. 7 closing plenary of the World Public Forum Dialogue of Civilizations, Oct. 4-7, 2012 in Rhodes, Greece. Zepp-LaRouche had previously addressed the Rhodes Forum in 2003, 2006, 2008, and 2009 (when Lyndon LaRouche also spoke there). Subheads have been added.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

There were many important issues discussed during the last days, but I agree with Professor Dallmayr, that we cannot conclude this conference without focusing again on the reality that we, as a civilization, are on the verge of thermonuclear war. The possibility of a military attack on Iran; the escalation of the situation between Syria and Turkey; the deployment of U.S. aircraft carriers in the Western Pacific close to these contested islands, and [Secretary of State] Hillary Clinton's statement that any attack on these islands would bring the U.S.-Japan military treaty into play; the agreement of the Spanish government to participate in the NATO anti-missile defense shields—all of these developments demonstrate that we are in mortal danger.

During the last weeks, the existential danger in which the human species now finds itself has become clear for all thinking people. The almost continuous policy of "regime change," after the collapse of the Soviet Union, bombed Iraq "back to the Stone Age," plunged Libya into anarchy, turned Afghanistan into a nightmare, and victimized the secular state of Syria with foreign intervention and religious warfare, and, in the case of military operations against Iran, could lead to an uncontrollable worldwide wildfire.

The Near and Middle East threaten to become a new Balkans, in which existing alliances, like those before World War I, led to a conflagration. The unthinkable could occur: that Mutual Assured Destruction no longer functions as a deterrent, but thermonuclear weapons are deployed, leading to the extinction of the human race. Not at some possible time, but within the next weeks.



In the face of the grave crises now confronting us, it is nonetheless possible to move toward a new age for mankind, based on humanity's common aims, Zepp-LaRouche told the Rhodes Forum.

Crashing into a Brick Wall

The dynamic which is driving the war danger is accentuated by the accelerating collapse of the trans-Atlantic financial system. [Federal Reserve chairman Ben] Bernanke's euphemistically named "Quantitative Easing III" liquidity expansion is just as hyperinflationary as [European Central Bank president] Mario Draghi's "whatever it takes," unlimited purchase of state bonds through the European Central Bank. Hyperinflationary money printing, in connection with brutal austerity-in the tradition of Chancellor Brüningagainst the population and real economy has already had a life-shortening effect upon millions of people in Greece, Italy, Spain, and Portugal, and threatens to plunge Europe into a firestorm of social chaos.

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Humanity is in the process of crashing into a brick wall at full speed. The question which we urgently must answer is whether the human species, confronted with its own self-destruction, is intelligent enough to change course in time, from the presently ruinous paradigm of attempting the consolidation of a world empire, and the feigned legitimization for resolution of geopolitical conflicts by means of war, and replacing that paradigm with another, which is viable for humanity.

To solve this problem, we have to address an epistemological problem: We must repudiate the relics of the methods of

thinking that are anchored in the oligarchical system, including deductive, positivist, empiricist, monetarist, or linear statistical projection concepts expressing a bad infinity, as they belong to a worldview that has nothing to do with the laws of the real physical universe, nor the creativity of human reason.

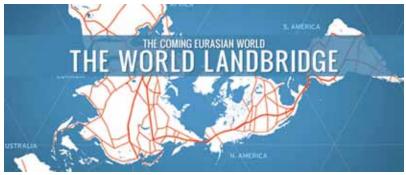
Thinking 'from Above'

Instead, we must craft—with the same creativity and love of humanity, as that of Nicholas of Cusa, Johannes Kepler, Gottfried Leibniz, Johann Sebastian Bach, Ludwig van Beethoven, Friedrich Schiller, Vladimir Vernadsky, or Albert Einstein, to name but a few—a vision of a better future for mankind, which, of course, can only be realized when enough forces unite themselves for this good cause.

Such a vision can never be the result of Aristotelian thinking, or become a "consensus" of solutions for many small side-issues, i.e., thinking from "below," but comes from thinking "from above." Nicholas of Cusa had, with his method of *coincidentia oppositorum*, the coincidence of opposites, whereby the One has a higher order of power than the Many, laid the cornerstone on which not only the priniciple of the Peace of Westphalia and international law were built, but also a universal method of problem- and conflict-solving, which is still valid today.

This means we must begin with the definition of the common aims of mankind. What could be more important than the ontological question of "esse," being, that we are able to secure the prolonged sustainable existence of the human species?

By virtue of the anti-entropic lawfulness of the physical universe, the enduring existence of humanity re-



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Implementation of the World Land-Bridge can reverse the deadly paradigmshift of the past 50 years, and bring back the principle of "peace through development."

quires a constant rise in the *potential relative population density* and a continually expanding *energy-flux density* in production processes. If we want to find a solution to the twofold existential threat to mankind—the danger of thermonuclear world war and the systemic economic crisis—then the new paradigm must bring itself into cohesion with the order of creation. We need a plan for peace for the 21st Century, a vision which simultaneously inspires the imagination and hopes of man.

Despite having all the scientific and technological means at hand to guarantee humane conditions of life, while there are over 1 billion people subject to hunger and malnourishment, while 25,000 children—a small city—die daily from hunger, while 3 billion live in poverty and are denied their human rights, is it not then our sacred duty to actually deploy those means? We need a large-scale development strategy, building on the ideas of the United Nations Development Decades of the 1950s and '60s, rejecting completely the paradigm change of the past 40-50 years as the wrong track, and thus reviving the idea of "Peace Through Development."

The World Land-Bridge

Such a vision could be the implementation of the World Land-Bridge with its many great projects like NAWAPA, the tunnel under the Bering Strait, the development of the Arctic, expansion of the Eurasian Land-Bridge, above all into the Near and Middle East and the Indian Subcontinent, including linking Africa to the World Land-Bridge through tunnels under the Strait of Gibraltar, linking Spain and Morocco, and also between Sicily and Tunisia.

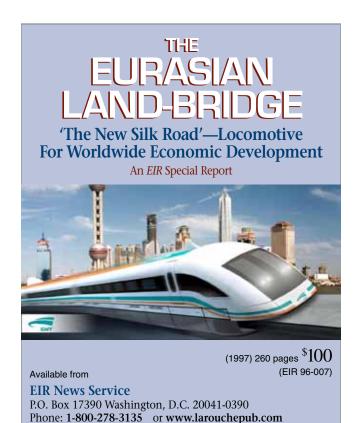
There are two large regions of this planet where lack of development cries for vengeance, one being the Af-

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rican continent, that was never allowed to recuperate from the centuries-long colonial exploitation; and the second being the Near and Middle East, which are currently way behind their golden periods, when Baghdad was the center of world culture, or when Palmyra Tadmur in Syria was a pearl on the ancient Silk Road. We must put on the agenda for discussion a vision for an economic and cultural Renaissance for these regions, representing an element of reason at a higher level than the local, ethnic, and historical conflicts. Were the representatives of a group of large nations to bring such a message to the world community, showing that, in fact, there is a real alternative that would make possible the survival of all people on this planet, then that element of hope could be brought into the debate, which is presently completely lacking.

Strategic Defense of Earth

The same kind of thinking using the standpoint of *coincidentia oppositorum*, thinking from "above," as applied to overcoming the underdevelopment on Earth with the World Land-Bridge, we also need for defense from the dangers to all of us on the planet which come



from space. Russia, with its project for the Strategic Defense of the Earth, SDE, has made a proposal for the cooperation of Russia and the U.S.A., and potentially more countries, for joint missile defense and the protection of Earth from asteroid and comet impact, which can replace the current geopolitical confrontation and the existential threat of its escalation.

The SDE project is in the tradition of the SDI, the Strategic Defense Initiative, the proposal for overcoming the nuclear threat and division of the world into military blocs, which my husband Lyndon LaRouche developed over 30 years ago, and which President Ronald Reagan made the official policy of the American government in 1983.

The SDE project, which includes early warning systems for man-made and natural catastrophes, as well as cooperation in manned space flight, is the absolutely necessary economic *science driver* that the crisis-ridden world economy needs in order to achieve higher levels of productivity and create the new scientific and technological capacities that are also needed for the solution to the problems on Earth. Joint manned space travel is the necessary next step for the evolution of mankind. And with the "extraterrestial imperative," as called for by the renowned scientist and rocket engineer Krafft A. Ehricke, mankind can now enter into an age of adulthood, leaving behind, like childhood diseases, the solving of conflicts through war.

The Common Aims of Mankind

If we promptly succeed in unifying ourselves around the vision of achieving the common aims of mankind, and consciously present this perspective as a waravoidance strategy, then it can inspire the imagination of the younger generation, which is now threatened worldwide by mass unemployment and desperate hopelessness. If the young people develop the same passion and elevated concepts as the pioneers of space travel once had, who now are encouraged with the instruments which the Mars rover Curiosity is deploying, and which have now shifted the sense-experience of man, admittedly, with a 14-minute delay, the world has entered a new phase space; if young people develop that passion, then we have won. In the next phase of mankind, man will think like scientists and the composers of great works of Classical art.

We either act now, in this moment of existential danger, on the common aims of mankind, or we will not exist.

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Russian, U.S., Chinese Address Rhodes Forum

Vladimir Yakunin (Russia)

Excerpt from the keynote by the World Public Forum (WPF) founding president, and president of the Russian Railways company, titled, "Diversity of Civilizations as a Vehicle for Attaining Successful Global Changes," Oct. 4. Translated by EIR.

Today, many people in the world realize that all the passion and the efforts of those who initiated the establishment of a global world with a new economy, new politics, and a new democratic organization of the world community on the Anglo-Saxon model, were based on the notion of it being possible and necessary to effect as rapid as possible a progressive transformation of human life, regardless of civilizational context. But, consciously or not, what was left out was not only the fact that mankind is capable of changing dynamically in the process of self-development, but also that this phenomenon is inseparably connected with making use of accumulated historical experience and the particular features of the traditional and unique cultures and religions which are proper to various civilizations, i.e., of the invariable



Vladimir Yakunin of Russia

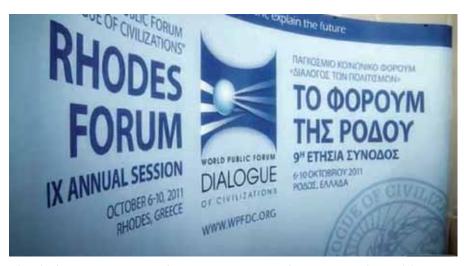
components of their spiritual and material life....

West and East alike face a common problem, namely that political and economic imbalances have built up since the end of World War II; the community of nations has reached a point where, unless they come to their senses in time, destruction and decay of the very foundations of the civilized world order may begin....

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher once employed this metaphor: "The veneer of civilization is very thin." The political meaning of her words became clear during the Yugoslavia crisis, when Mrs. Thatcher promised the obstinate Yugoslavs to bomb them back to the Stone Age. The threat was carried out, and ever since, bombing and armed interventions have become, in the view of Western politicians, virtually a legitimate means of knocking sense into anyone who disagrees with Western ways of democratizing their societies and liberalizing the economy in their countries.

Here, indeed, "precedent law," which the British are so fond of, has been applied. And now, 50 years after the brutal Cuban Missiles Crisis, we may again witness the very same kind of development of events. Under present conditions, however, it will be insufficient for just the leaders of the two superpowers to reach agreement on standing down. There needs to be a responsible and effective dialogue....

The systemic crisis of the liberal-economic foundations of the world system, which now has struck, has placed on the agenda



The Rhodes Forum was created in opposition to Samuel Huntington's thesis of the inevitable "clash of civilizations."

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the question of long-term strategies as guarantees for the preservation of statehood, freedom, and the survival of the entire system of international and intercivilizational relations, formed over millennia. The time has come to acknowledge that civilizationally well-grounded projects are the ones that contain the greatest potential for agreeing, through dialogue, on the foundations of a more stable and just world order....

The world cannot stay poised forever in a state of such tense disequilibrium, which is fraught with the danger of exacerbation and conflicts. The world needs greater certainty and a greater ability to predict future events, as well as a foundation for long-term relations based not merely on pragmatic interests, but also on profound spiritual aspirations.

We are now witnessing the destruction of the illusions of the unipolar world. In this situation, it is important for us to understand that a transition to the realities of a multipolar world does not happen all by itself: As illusions are destroyed, the desire to preserve unipolar influence in the world remains.

It seems to us that the way out of the dead end of the collapsing ideology of globalism, in addition to preserving the real content of the integrative processes of world development, is to be found, above all, in recognizing the primacy of international law in a polycentric world. What form this will take is a difficult problem, which is to be resolved in dialogue. But it is absolutely obvious that it must ultimately be based upon, inclusively, recognition of the uniqueness and the special historical and cultural features of various civilizational images of the world.

Especially important today is mutual understanding among peoples in the humanities and public life. Today we are witnessing the end of the epoch of chaotic globalization. One outcome of that epoch is to have cast doubt on the belief that some absolute universal forms of humanistic values exist.

Regarding the concept of "democracy," we see a general tendency toward the formation of democratic regimes that little resemble, for example, the ones in North America, where the very idea seems to have been completely devalued and has acquired the status of a commodity that can be sold, bought, or imposed according to a fixed standard (the commodification of democracy). As for human rights, it is worth listening to the opinion that the institution of a formal set of civil rights and freedoms at the national level should pro-

mote the conception of the dignity of the human individual that is proper to a specific civilization. In any event, human rights must not suppress or contradict the conception of human dignity upon which a given civilization is based and which constitutes its human essence.

By no means, in my view, do these differences indicate that the world is entering a period of relativism with respect to values. It only means that the world is entering a period of genuine civilizational diversity. And we ought to recognize this and learn to live in this reality....

Fred Dallmayr (U.S.A.)

Excerpts from "Who Are We? What Is WPF-Dialogue of Civilizations?," a speech by WPF co-chairman Prof. Fred Dallmayr, of the University of Notre Dame, to the Forum in October 2011, and reprinted for this event.

At this plenary session—and with a view toward our 10th anniversary next year—it seems proper to ask: Who are we? What are we trying to do? What is this World Public Forum? What kind of organization is it? Now, on a purely formal level, this question can easily be answered: it is an NGO (a non-governmental organization) concerned with or committed to the cultivation of a global public forum in the context of a dialogue of civilizations. So far so good. But what kind of commitment is it? What really does the phrase World Public Forum mean or entail?

Let me proceed ex contrario, that is, by indicating what the World Public Forum is not. We are not a government or a governmental institution—although we maintain friendly relations with many governments. Nor are we an inter-governmental organization, like the UN, UNESCO, or WHO—although we often support the agendas of these organizations. Like all NGOs, we operate on the level of civil society, actually a global civil society, and our concern is with everything that touches the public life of the world community. This is how we differ in principle from the World Economic Forum and the World Social Forum. The point is that basically all issues can touch public life—including private or family issues, economic issues, cultural and religious issues, educational issues, including the education of the young generation or youth....

Continuing the topic of what we are not: We are not a political party, either on the left or on the right. We do

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Fred Dallmayr of the United States

not run election campaigns and do not sponsor candidates for political office in any country. There are other things we are not. We are not a business or a corporation. We are not assembled for economic gain. If anything, WPF is an organization not for profit. This does not mean that we do not have many economists and business leaders participating in WPF—and they are always welcome and appreciated.

We are also not a strictly academic organization. We are not a History Association or a Sociological Association or a British or American Political Science Association. This does not mean that we do not have historians, sociologists, political scientists, and other academics in our midst—and we welcome and appreciate their presence. However, our purpose is different. The associations I mentioned exist basically for academic and career objectives: for the promotion of the study of history, sociology, politics, and the career advancement of practitioners in these fields. We do not promote careers or serve narrowly professional interests.

Nor are we a church or a religious organization or religious sect—although we have many religious people and also members of the clergy in our midst and we welcome their presence. We do not promote religion or any kind of religious belief, nor do we oppose religion or religious belief. Our concern is rather the question: To which extent do religions or religious beliefs further or obstruct a viable public life in the world? This is a legitimate question in a global public forum.

Finally, we are not a social club existing simply for the enjoyment of members—although we, of course, hope that members or participants also enjoy our conferences as well as each other's company....

So, this leaves then the question: What and who are we, if we are not all these things? Here I have to come back to the commitment I mentioned at the beginning: the commitment to a world public forum in the context of dialogue of civilizations. Again, I ask: What kind of commitment is this, if it is not a professional or career commitment, not a religious or clerical (church-related) commitment, a commitment not for profit? Well, it can only be a moral or ethical commitment: a commitment to a world where public affairs are settled not by brute force, warfare, and military might, but by reasoned discourse of

participants in a public arena; a commitment to the prospect of a dialogue among civilizations in contrast to the clash of civilizations. Such an ethical commitment does not come easy. It has to be cultivated and nurtured diligently, from early childhood to adult life, and in all societies and all walks of life. It also requires strength of character and a sense of responsibility. It requires of us to stand up and speak out if brute force and military might take the lead and threaten to undermine social justice and peace.

Thus, our Forum cannot fail to be troubled by political, economic, cultural, and religious crises as they flare up around the world. In all these instances, our stand is bound to be to discourage or oppose rash, reckless or violent solutions and to encourage calm, peaceful, and dialogical efforts to settle existing disputes with a view toward reaching the greatest possible justice for all sides. The standard or goal of dialogue in the World Public Forum is not discussion for the sake of discussion, but the achievement or at least approximation of peace with justice.

To give examples: The Forum is concerned about the present situation in the Middle East which, as we know, can (unless contained) flare up into a monstruous conflagration. We are troubled by the stalled peace process in that region, and the lack of serious efforts to resume the process. We are also deeply troubled by designs for military intervention and externally engineered regime change in some countries' designs which are in violation of international law and also frequently have the flavor of neo-colonialism and imperialism....

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Sienho Yee (China)

Excerpt from "The International Law of Co-Progressiveness and the Co-Progressiveness of Civilizations," by Professor Yee of Wuhan University, Institute of International Law.

At the end of his 1996 book, *The Clash of Civilizations and the Remaking of World Order*, Samuel Huntington said that "The futures of both peace and



Sienho Yee of China

civilization depend on understanding and cooperation among the political, spiritual, and intellectual leaders of the world's major civilizations." I have a hunch that just understanding and cooperation may not be enough to ensure a good future for us. It is possible that we may understand each other quite well, and we may cooperate, but our different perspectives may remain, get entrenched, and become irreconcilable. The step taken from irreconcilable differences is pivotal. It can help us to assure a good future for us, if that step is taken with a bent for progressiveness, within the framework of the international law of co-progressiveness. Here I will highlight the features of this framework and then explore the role of civilizations within the framework....

Making the Promoter Role Effective: As a strong special promoter of the co-progressiveness of international society, a civilization will have to struggle with some problems in order for that role to be effective.

First of all, a civilization has, itself, to be a progressive one. If it is not, then that civilization may run the risk of being considered not practicing what it preaches and its effectiveness will suffer substantially. How a civilization becomes progressive is a difficult question. Usually, it is internally driven. Internally driven progress also lasts a long time. Of course, it can also be externally induced, just as personal liberty can be. Worse yet, it can also be externally coerced. How such a situation is evaluated, I will leave for another day.

Secondly, a civilization must be able to manage its inter-civilizational relations with others in a satisfactory manner so that all civilizations become co-progressive. Of course, this is the most difficult question and there is no silver bullet to solve this problem. Assuming that between civilizations there should never be any malice or intentional harm and that all inclusiveness is a virtue, I offer additional three tools here: 1) a "two-man mindedness" attitude when taking action; 2) a Thomas Henry Sanderson lens when perceiving a disadvantage; and 3) benign competition. I will explain these one by one.

The "two-man mindedness" attitude: This was given a chance to find a place in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, but did not make it there because of, probably, the Tower of Babel. Mary Ann Glendon related this to us in her book on the drafting of the Universal Declaration.¹ During the drafting process, the working group added to René Cassin's draft preamble the sentence that "All men are brothers." Being endowed with reason and members of one family, they are free and equal in dignity and rights.

Then, the Confucianist who participated in the drafting, Mr. P.C. Chang, [Glendon wrote], "suggested that besides naming 'reason' as an essential human attribute, the article ought to include another concept. What he had in mind, he said, was a Chinese word that in literal translation meant 'two-man mindedness' but which might be expressed in English as 'sympathy,' or 'consciousness of one's fellow men.' The word was *ren*, a composite of the characters for 'man' and 'two.'

"A word emblematic of an entire worldview and way of life, *ren* has no precise counterpart in English. To Cassin, it would surely have evoked Rousseau's notion of compassion, but that word, too, fell short of the mark. Chang's suggestion was accepted, but his idea was rendered awkwardly by adding the words 'and conscience' after 'reason.' (That unhappy word choice not only obscured Chang's meaning, but gave 'conscience' a far from obvious sense, quite different from its normal usage in phrases such as 'freedom of conscience.')"

If individuals adopt such an attitude, probably there would not have been those insulting cartoons or movies and the aftermath. If a civilization adopts such an attitude, there would be fewer occasions for tension or worse.

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^{1.} Mary Ann Glendon, *A World Made New: Eleanor Roosevelt and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights* (New York: Random House, 2001). Editor's footnote.

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Turkish Provocations of Syria Can Trigger WWIII

by Jeffrey Steinberg

Oct. 14—After more than a week of shelling back and forth across the Syrian-Turkish border, Turkey has moved tanks and artillery units close to the Syrian border, and threatens to go to war. According to a statement by NATO head Anders Fogh Rasmussen on Oct. 9, NATO has already revised contingency plans to enter any border war with Syria in support of NATO member Turkey. "All necessary plans are in place," he said, should the occasion arise.

A senior U.S. intelligence source reports that the Turkish strategy is to use the continuing artillery fire to drive the Syrian Army back from the border area, to allow the Free Syrian Army to establish a safe zone inside Syrian territory. Turkey, along with France and Great Britain, is pushing for NATO to establish a no-fly zone over that "liberated" zone in northern Syria.

Within NATO, the only real opposition to such an action is coming from the United States, led by the Joint Chiefs of Staff, who adamantly oppose a no-fly zone or any other direct U.S. military involvement. This week, former U.S. Defense Secretary Robert Gates continued his public warnings about the danger of a new war in the Middle East. Not only has he called any Israeli or U.S. attack on Iran "catastrophic"; he told the Wichita *Eagle* Oct. 13 that he also opposed the creation of a no-fly zone over Syria, warning that it would begin with an act of war—an air campaign to destroy Syria's air defenses and air force—and can only escalate from there.

What Gates is referring to is the British-Obama-led Libya model of forced regime change being applied in Syria, one that, as the top Russian leadership has repeatedly stressed, can lead directly to World War III.

Russia Is Now Involved

The fact that the confrontation between Turkey and Syria can escalate into a clash between NATO and Russia, became glaringly obvious last week.

On Oct. 11, the Turkish Air Force forced a Syrian commercial jet to make an emergency landing inside Turkey. The plane was held on the ground at the Ankara airport for more than eight hours, and the Turkish government later claimed that it had received a "tip" that the plane was carrying weapons to the Assad regime, in violation of international sanctions. In fact, the plane was, according to subsequent Russian news reports, and to admissions by State Department spokeswoman Victoria Nuland, carrying radar equipment which is perfectly legal, and is regularly transported aboard commercial flights.

The Turkish action caused a huge uproar in Russia, with TV news footage showing injured passengers. Adding insult to injury, the Turkish authorities refused access to the plane by Russian consular officials—as is standard diplomatic protocol.

In response to the incident, Russian President Vladimir Putin convened an emergency session of the Russian Security Council to discuss the Turkish action.

Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov followed that meeting by calling on the Syrian and Turkish militaries to establish direct lines of communication to avoid a border incident that could trigger a full-scale conflict.

Col. W. Patrick Lang (USA ret.), who runs an authoritative website closely followed by active duty U.S. military officials, warned that the Turkish-Syrian border skirmishes could be a "Guns of August" incident, setting off a general war. Lang has been a leading voice expressing skepticism about the original cross-border mortar fire, suggesting that the Syrian government had no interest in giving Turkey a pretext to draw NATO into the conflict, and that the Free Syrian Army also possessed the 120 mm mortar of the type that hit across the border, killing five civilians in a small village in southern Turkey.

The Turkish daily *Sabah* reported Oct. 12 that Turkey has asked NATO to redirect its ABM radar at Kurecik, Turkey, to Syria. The same day Turkey scrambled two fighter jets to the Syrian border, after a Syrian military helicopter allegedly bombed the Syrian border town of Azmarin, Reuters reported.

Turkish tank forces at the border have been reinforced by 60 additional tanks to a total of at least 250, and by an additional 25 F-16 jet fighters, Voice of

Russia and RIA reported Oct. 12 from the Turkish daily *Hürriyet*. There is also a war of words. Turkey's chief EU negotiator, Minister Egemen Baris, recently said, "Turkey's military power is enough to wipe out Syria in a couple of hours." Parliamentarian Samil Tayyar of Turkey's ruling AKP party said on television Oct. 12, "If Turkey wants, it can reach Damascus in three hours," Sabah reported, as translated in www.al-monitor.com.

Not Quiet on the Iran Front

The war fever was further intensified when David Rothkopf of *Foreign Policy* online magazine published a report that the U.S. and Israel have worked out plans for a joint attack on Iran's nuclear facilities—an attack that could take place before the Nov. 6 U.S. Presidential elections. The Rothkopf article was greeted with deep skepticism, based on the well-known opposition to an attack from the Joint Chiefs of Staff and related military/intelligence circles, and given the fact that Rothkopf is close to Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu's ambassador to the United States, Michael Oren.

But, Rothkopf's assertion that Obama would attack Iran *before* the election—presumably as a means of getting a "patriotic" surge in votes to aid his troubled cam-

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paign—was immediately picked up by the security commentator for *Yedioth Ahronoth*, Ron Ben-Yishai. In an Oct. 11 article, Ben-Yishai, citing Rothkopf's article, wrote that "similar remarks are being heard from people who are close to the White House and the Pentagon. According to these sources, who are currently visiting the Middle East, the U.S. has a plan of action in place for an aerial bombardment of a number of Iranian nuclear sites, and the preparations for such an operation have already been completed. According to one of the American sources, such an attack can be launched 'at any moment.'"

The Rothkopf article was published a week after a contrary article by Mark Perry in the same online magazine, in which Perry revealing details of Israeli options for attacking Iran, including an "Entebbe Option," i.e., a commando assault on the Iranian nuclear enrichment facility at Fordow. The Perry article was intended to throw a monkey wrench into Israeli war plans, whereas the Rothkopf article was aimed at hyping the electoral advantages for Obama in launching a combined attack with Israel.

The Rothkopf article was so provocative that Baruch Bina, the deputy Israeli ambassador in Washington and a former director general of the North America division of the Israeli Foreign Ministry, got into a dispute with Oren over the leak, which he warned was jeopardizing U.S.-Israeli relations. As the result, Netanyahu immediately fired Bina.

The issue of an attack by Israel on Iran is of such a sensitive nature that leaks like the Rothkopf story have immediate consequences. The bottom line is that an Israeli or Israeli-American attack on Iran cannot be ruled out, even as we enter the final weeks before the U.S. Presidential elections.

Other Fronts

The situation in the Asia-Pacific region is also on a short fuse. The island dispute in the East China Sea between Japan and China remains a point of friction, even though both countries have apparently agreed to accept the idea that the island is disputed territory, and should be resolved at some future time when frictions between the two countries are greatly reduced (see following article).

However, the Japanese Self-Defense Forces are scheduled to hold joint manuevers with the U.S. on Okinawa in November. The scenario for the manuevers: a joint U.S.-Japanese military operation targeting a remote island that has been grabbed by an enemy nation.

Obama Takes MeK Killers Off Terror List

by Michele Steinberg

Oct. 12—Just weeks after al-Qaeda-linked terrorists in Benghazi, Libya—possibly some of them trained and armed by the Obama Administration itself-assassinated Amb. Christopher Stevens and three other Americans, the Administration took another terrorist group definitely armed and protected by the United States—off the list of international terrorists. The Mujahedin e-Kalq (aka People's Mujahedin Organization/ MKO)—a terrorist organization that killed three Amercian military officers in Iran, the only confirmed international terrorist group that actually worked for Saddam Hussein, and that is widely identified as working for Israel and the United States in the covert war to kill Iranian scientists and blow up Iranian civilian and military sites-was removed from the international list of terrorists on Sept. 28, 2012.

The announcement came in a Sept. 28 State Department press release which said that the U.S. is revoking "the designation of the Mujahedin-e Khalq (MeK) and its aliases as a Foreign Terrorist Organization (FTO) under the Immigration and Nationality Act and to delist the MeK as a Specially Designated Global Terrorist under Executive Order 13224. These actions are effective today. Property and interests in property in the United States or within the possession or control of U.S. persons will no longer be blocked, and U.S. entities may engage in transactions with the MeK without obtaining a license."

In a pathetic understatement, the same press release notes that "the Department does not overlook or forget the MeK's past acts of terrorism, including its involvement in the killing of U.S. citizens in Iran in the 1970s and an attack on U.S. soil in 1992. The Department also has serious concerns about the MeK as an organization, particularly with regard to allegations of abuse committed against its own members."

'Death to America: MKO Assassinations'

For the last two years, the MeK has spent millions of dollars on a propaganda campaign to get taken off

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the U.S. list of international terrorist organizations. The group has paid former members of Congress, retired military officers, and even former FBI Director Louis Freeh as much as \$25,000 a shot for speaking engagements at events sponsored by the MeK, or its front group, the National Council on Resistance.

But, no matter how many millions were spent on lobbying, there is no justification for exonerating the murderous group.

Contrary to the vague generalities reported in the press that the group assassinated some Americans "in the 1970s," the real record is harrowing, and comes from the State Department's own archives in 1994, under then-Secretary of State Warren Christopher, who put the MeK on the terror list.

According to the 1994 State Department report delivered to then-chairman of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, Rep. Lee Hamilton, on Oct. 28, 1994, the MeK was (and is) an army of guerrilla soldiers trained in assassinations, car bombs, and sabotage. The report says, under the heading, "Death to America—MKO Assassinations":

"In the period leading up to the revolution and its immediate aftermath, the Mojahedin carried out their strategy of armed struggle. The results included the murder of Americans, support for the seizure of the U.S. embassy, and opposition to the release of U.S. hostages.

"The Mojahedin are known to have assassinated the following Americans in Iran during the 1970s:

"Lt. Colonel Lewis L. Hawkins Killed: June 2, 1973 "Air Force Colonel Paul Schaeffer Killed: May 21, 1975

"Air Force Lt. Colonel Jack Turner Killed: May 21, 1975

"Donald G. Smith, Rockwell International Killed: August 28, 1976

"Robert R. Krongrad, Rockwell International Killed: August 28, 1976

"William C. Cottrell, Rockwell International Killed: August 28, 1976

"Reza Reza'i, a member of the Mojahedin's Ideological Team, was arrested and executed by the Shah's government for the murder of Colonel Hawkins. The attacks on the Rockwell employees occurred on the anniversary of the arrest of a Mojahedin member, Rahman vahid Afrakhteh, for the murder of Colonels

Schaeffer and Turner. In addition, Air Force Brigadier General Harold Price was wounded in a 1972 attack planned by Mojahedin Central committee member, Kazem Zul Ai-Anvar. Widely credited in Tehran for these attacks at the time, the Mojahedin themselves claimed responsibility for these murders in their publications."

Throughout the 1980s and 1990s, in its newspaper *Mojahid*, the MeK celebrated the anniversaries of its bombings and assassinations inside Iran. The group not only assassinated and wounded U.s. military officers, it bombed buildings and offices of U.S. banks and corporations.

In the 1980s, having fallen out with the Ayatollah Khomeini faction of the anti-Shah revolution in Iran, and with the onset of the Iran-Iraq War, the MeK, under the cult leadership of its founder Massoud Rajavi, was given refuge in Iraq, where it was given a military base, uniforms, money, weapons, and was sometimes referred to as "Saddam Hussein's private army." Being Persian in origin, the MeK fighters were deployed to conduct guerrilla attacks inside Iran on behalf of Iraq.

According to the Council on Foreign Relations, citing a State Department report, Baghdad armed MeK near the end of the Iran conflict (1980-88) "with heavy military equipment and deployed thousands of MeK fighters in suicidal, mass wave attacks against Iranian forces."

In 2003, when the Bush-Cheney regime invaded Iraq to overthrow Saddam Hussein, the MeK defected once again—this time to the side of the United States, constantly brokering itself with claims that it could be an underground army for sabotage and assassinations in Iran.

Obama's Affair with MeK, al-Qaeda

On Feb. 8, 2012, NBC News ran an exposé of the MeK as a tool of British intelligence, the Israeli Mossad, and the U.S. intelligence services in the assassinations of Iranian scientists in a series of car bombings.

In its March 2, 2012 issue, an *EIR* investigative team took the exposé further, showing that the Obama Administration was supporting both the MeK and al-Qaeda forces.¹

"British puppet President Barack Obama has en-

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^{1.} See "Obama-al-Qaeda-Mujahideen Connection Unveiled."

tered into an alliance with two of the world's leading terrorist organizations—al-Qaeda and the Mujahideen-e-Khalq (MeK)—in his zeal to overthrow the present governments in Syria and Iran," the article said. "The Obama-al-Qaeda marriage of convenience goes deep; it centers on the drive to overthrow the Bashar al-Assad government in Damascus, through an armed opposition.

"U.S. intelligence agencies are aware that the socalled Free Syrian Army (FSA) has no actual military capabilities inside Syria, and consists largely of a group of defectors from the regular Syrian Army who are safe-housed on military bases inside Turkey. All of the significant military actions targeted at the Syrian government have been carried out by al-Qaeda terrorists, who have infiltrated the country from Iraq. The suicide bombings in Damascus and Aleppo, the assassinations of Syrian government and military officials, and the sabotage of pipelines and other infrastructure have all been carried out by al-Qaeda. Despite evidence presented by U.S. intelligence agencies, President Obama continues to join hands with the new al-Qaeda head, Ayman al-Zawaheri, in calling for the violent removal of President Assad from power.

"The idea that the President of the United States is so blatantly in bed with the terrorists who carried out the attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon on Sept. 11, 2001 should be sufficient grounds for his immediate removal from office, under the impeachment provisions of the U.S. Constitution (Article 2, Section 4), or for reasons of incompetence as specified in Section 4 of the 25th Amendment," the article said.

Obama Gives 'Seal of Approval'

On Sept. 24, 2012, as it became increasingly clear that Obama was going to give the MeK a "seal of approval," as Obama had done with the Syrian opposition—including the al-Qaeda wing—a senior Israeli Defense Forces (IDF) officer and former cabinet minister disclosed to investigative journalist Richard Silverstein, that the Mossad has used the MeK to plant phony information about Iran's nuclear program, and has been involved in the assassination of "four nuclear scientists [in Iran] and caused the explosion that obliterated an Iranian Revolutionary Guard missile base."

Obama is now using MeK for covert operations against Iran, and will use the "delisting" of them as "proof" that he is taking action against Iran, Silverstein wrote—not merely for operations against the nuclear program, but for regime change, which is the MeK's goal.

Silverstein wrote, "Last week, the Director of Iran's nuclear program reported an August explosion disrupted the power lines to the new Fordo uranium enrichment facility. My source says this sabotage was also a product of the Mossad-MeK collaboration (emphasis added).

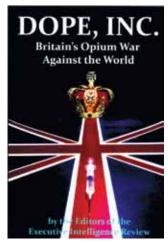
Comparing Obama's use of the MeK to how the U.S. used the Afghan mujahideen to fight "a dirty war for us against the Soviets," Silverstein says the "delisting" is a "sham."

The MeK has never renounced terrorism, and British agent Obama is—once again—in Libya, Syria, and Iran unleashing the hounds of Hell for a new dark age.

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Will the British, Once Again, Provoke a Sino-Japanese War?

by Mike Billington

Oct. 15—Gen. Martin Dempsey, chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, has warned the political leaders of the Western nations—and especially his Commander in Chief, Barack Obama—that they are walking into the "Thucydides Trap," with regard to China. When Athens rapidly arose as the center of culture and science in ancient Greece, Sparta viewed that rise as a threat which had to be crushed, leading to a long war which destroyed both city-states. Dempsey, speaking at a Washington forum in May, said, "One of my jobs as the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs, and as an advisor to our senior leaders, is to help avoid a Thucydides trap. We don't want the fear of an emerging China to make war inevitable."

But the financial oligarchy in London and New York, facing the collapse of their bankrupt empire, are in fact setting the trap themselves, intentionally. Their greatest fear is that the United States, if restored under new leadership to its historic role as an enemy of Empire, and as a nation-builder, could ally with the great Eurasian powers, especially Russia and China, to create a new world economic order based on physical development, free of the worthless bubble of speculative debt created by London and Wall Street. In particular, with Asia emerging as the center of global economic development, the unity of the Asian powers, especially Russia, China, Japan, and Korea, is seen as a dangerous threat to the very existence of the Empire.

The Empire's solution, as always, is war. In fact, the British have already provoked two wars between Japan and China—one in 1894, and one in the 1930s.

Over the past year, a series of dormant territorial disputes have erupted over islands in the South China Sea and the East China Sea, among China, Japan, Korea, and several Southeast Asian nations. These have sparked military and diplomatic crises across the region. The disputes had long been considered relatively unimportant, as long as no one picked a fight

over them. The policy-line heard repeatedly in the U.S. and the U.K., both by governments and in the media, is that China, a rising power, is testing its new strength, not only by asserting its territorial claims, but also by challenging the "freedom of navigation" of the Western nations in the crucial trade lanes in the western Pacific.

The U.S. neoconservative war planners accuse China of implementing an "anti-access/area denial" (2A/AD) policy, which aims to keep U.S. naval vessels out of the region. This has been used as an excuse for the so-called U.S. "pivot" to Asia—a military build-up of U.S. strategic forces in the Pacific in a "ring around China," both in their existing bases, and in new locations made possible by agreements with nations surrounding China, which allow the U.S. unfettered military access to their ports and airfields. This includes the Philippines, Singapore, Australia, and possibly others.

Three Rocks

The most immediate threat of war is over the dispute between Japan and China over three rocks in the East China Sea, known as the Diaoyu Islands in China and the Senkaku Islands in Japan. These tiny, uninhabited rocks have strategic value, in terms of defining ownership of the raw materials in the surrounding sea, and in regard to navigation. The islands were seized (together with Taiwan) from China, by Japan after the 1894 war, which was waged to impose Japan's control over Korea. Later, after World War II, the U.S. included the islands in territory "returned" to Japan. China, however, never relinquished its claim to them.

But the rightful sovereignty is not the real issue. Rather, it is being used as a convenient excuse for turning Japan and China against each other, while also creating an excuse for Western military involvement in the

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region. The cover story of the London *Economist* Sept. 22 (see photo) gives it away: This is not a commentary, but a statement of British policy.

While the U.S. has insisted that it will not take sides in the territorial dispute, it has contradicted this policy by insisting at the same time that the islands do in fact fall within the purview of the U.S.-Japan Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security, signed in 1960, which places Japan under the U.S. "nuclear umbrella." Thus a real or manufactured Chinese move to militarily assert sovereignty over the islands, or to challenge similar moves by the Japanese military, could invoke a U.S. military intervention.

That such an intervention would quickly lead to a thermonuclear confrontation with China should not be doubted.

China is certain to do everything possible to avoid a military conflict. Beijing is painfully aware of the devastation which war has inflicted on the nation since the onset of the colonial period, and is fully committed to the concept of a "peaceful rise" to the level of a fully developed country. Also, Chinese leaders know that Japanese trade and investment are crucial for that development, as well as for peace in Asia generally. But China is no longer a subservient nation, and will not capitulate nor over-react to provocations, either from Japan or from the West.

As to Japan, although drastically damaged economically by the Great East Japan Earthquake and tsunami of March 2011, and by the success of the anti-nuclear hysteria which has closed down its nuclear industry, at least temporarily, the historic commitment to scientific and industrial development, going back to the Meiji Restoration (ca. 1868-1912), has not been destroyed, and should reassert itself, if the current British/Obama meddling can be contained.

Japan's Role in the British Game

The current phase of the crisis erupted when the mayor of Tokyo, Shintaro Ishihara, speaking at the neo-



conservative Heritage Foundation in Washington in April, announced that he intended to use Tokyo's public funds to buy the Senkaku Islands from a private Japanese owner. Ishihara is a notorious hyper-nationalist, racist, and war hawk, who claims that the Rape of Nanjing (1937) and other atrocities by the Japanese in occupied China are a myth, and that Japan's colonial occupation was good for Korea; he is also reported to have been the funder of the terrorist cult Aum Shinrikyo, until it was caught pumping sarin gas into the Tokyo subway in 1995, killing and injuring dozens. Ishihara argues that Japan must build nuclear weap-

ons in order to counter "our enemies, China, North Korea, and Russia," and that China "wouldn't have dared lay a hand on the Senkakus" if Japan had nuclear weapons.

China responded that Tokyo's purchase of the island would be a provocation, disrupting the standing agreement that there would be no moves by either side to challenge the claims of the other to sovereignty. But Japanese Prime Minister Yoshihiko Noda, a weak leader whose Democratic Party will almost certainly be voted out of office in the upcoming elections, jumped into the conflict in August, by saying that the national government itself would buy the rocks, nationalizing the islands. The Chinese were then forced to strongly object, calling this a direct challenge to China.

Demonstrations against Japan broke out across China, and then again in September, when the Japanese Cabinet approved the move. Small-scale violence against Japanese companies was widespread, and a popular boycott of Japanese goods has drastically reduced the sale of Japanese autos and other goods within China. China even refused to send top-level financial representatives to the annual IMF meeting, in Tokyo this month.

China's strongest warning to Japan came in an unsigned editorial in the government's newspaper, *China Daily*, on Aug. 8: "The commemoration of the first

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atomic bomb attack on Hiroshima early this week should remind Japan that extreme nationalism almost destroyed it 67 years ago. Japan had waged horrifically aggressive wars throughout Asia from 1937 until the U.S. dropped the atom bomb on Hiroshima and Nagasaki."

ABM 'Ring Around China' and Russia

In the same time frame, U.S. Defense Secretary Leon Panetta visited Japan, and announced that the U.S. and Japan would build a second X-Band radar system in Japan. The U.S. is planning another such radar facility in the Philippines—thus creating a "ring around China"—claiming they were necessary to protect against North Korean missile threats. The Obama Administration has also announced plans to set up an enhanced anti-ballistic missile (ABM) system around China, claiming again that the target is North Korea, and has begun deployments of warships, fighter aircraft, and marine units in the Philippines (despite Philippine Constitutional restrictions against such deployments), and in Australia.¹

Former Australian Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser warned that Australia must not be drawn into a military confrontation with China, saying that "there is a danger that the U.S. is seeking to maintain supremacy, which could lead to war," and that it is "an absurd allegation that China may wish to curtail freedom of the seas in the South China Sea."

Just as Russia has ridiculed the notion that the ABM systems being installed in Eastern Europe along Russia's border are intended to guard against Iranian missile threats, so too, the Chinese have no doubt about whom the new U.S. radar and ABM systems in Asia are targeting. *China Daily* reported Aug. 25, that "military experts in both the United States and China questioned the U.S. intentions, saying the expensive system, which is well beyond Pyongyang's military capability, is actually looking at China."

The Russian Foreign Ministry also weighed in, issuing a statement on Sept 18, saying, "The potential deployment of the second anti-missile radar on Japanese territory will considerably enhance the capabilities of the American missile defense system in the Asia-Pacific region. We are urging our American partners to balance their missile defense efforts against real

FIGURE 1



challenges and threats, so as not to damage the security interests of other members of the international community."

Earlier statements by Russia's political and military leaders have been less diplomatic. Then-President Dmitri Medvedev warned last year that the ABM systems, together with the recurring U.S. "regime change" wars on sovereign nations, could bring about a nuclear war. So also, China's military leaders warned in July that efforts to undermine China's response capacity with the new ABM systems could force China to upgrade its nuclear arsenal and even reconsider its "no first strike" policy.

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^{1.} See: Mike Billington, "China Joins Russia: Warns vs. Obama Drive for World War," *EIR*, April 6, 2012.

How the British Provoked Wars in Asia

The two historical cases of British instigation of war between Japan and China are well known to the Chinese, if not to those educated in the West. After the Meiji Restoration, Japan underwent a dramatic transformation and modernization, which was deeply influenced by the American System of political economy. It is not surprising that the Japanese turned to the British to build up and modernize their Navy, since the British were by far the strongest naval power at the time. But by the 1880s and '90s, even though Britain virtually ruled China (after two devastating Opium Wars in the 19th Century), the British were, at the same time, actively preparing Japan for a war on China, including providing Japan with detailed intelligence on Chinese military capacities and weaknesses. In 1894, as part of Japan's war against China over control of Korea, Japan crushed China's Northern Fleet in the Yellow Sea.

In the 1895 peace treaty ending that war, Japan took control of Korea, Taiwan, and the Senkaku Islands, but also demanded that China turn over Liaodong Province. France, Germany, and Russia intervened to prevent this imperial land grab, but the British made no objection, and proceeded to set up a military alliance with Japan. Their purpose was to use Japan to stop Russia's dramatic move to open up a land route to Asia via the Trans-Siberian Railway, which undermined British control of Asian trade via the sea routes. Indeed, in 1905, Japan went to war with Russia, and in the process, established a permanent military presence in China's northeastern provinces, including the last leg of the rail connections through Manchuria to the Trans-Siberian Railway.

Later, in the 1920s, after China's republican forces under Sun Yat-sen had overthrown the monarchical system, the British moved forcefully to undermine Sun's republican policies, backing various warlords, and successfully dividing China into warring substates. The British and their Wall Street assets controlled foreign investment in China by imposing a Consortium with the power to approve or deny foreign loans, and succeeded in preventing any investment whatsoever in China's real economy. The Consortium was run by Sir Charles Addis of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, England's preeminent drug bank, and Thomas Lamont of J.P. Morgan, the by-name-only American banker, who in fact served the British in all matters.

But Lamont was at the same time active in Japan,

and was lobbying for official U.S. financial support for Japan's expanding control over Manchuria, and especially the South Manchurian Railway, arguing that "The state of China's administration—divided, corrupt, unofficial, and torn by strife—ruled out any possibility that China could develop [Manchuria] itself," and that the Japanese would do a far better job. Leading forces in the U.S. were working with Sun Yat-sen to implement his plan for the "Industrial Development of China," and J.P. Morgan's efforts to get approval for direct loans to Japan's occupation of Manchuria were rejected.

But, as we see again today, the British banks often have more power than the elected government in the U.S., and Lamont managed to circumvent his government's veto on financial backing to the Japanese/British imperial designs on China, hiding the investments as support for earthquake relief and similar fronts. When the Japanese used a "Reichstag Fire"-style incident in Manchuria in 1931—blowing up part of the South Manchurian Railway, and blaming it on "insurgents," in order to justify a full military takeover of the region—Lamont and his British sponsors continued to lobby for support for Japan.

Even when full-scale Japanese war against the entire Chinese nation was declared in 1937, as part of the lead-up to World War II, Lamont and his British sponsors opposed any sanctions on Japan, even as they were offering appearement to Hitler at Munich.

Deal in the Works?

Private diplomacy between China and Japan to cool down the situation is taking place as of this writing. China has proposed that Japan simply acknowledge that China believes it has a claim to the islands, while not giving up Tokyo's own claim, nor its effective control over the area at this time. This has been tentatively agreed to in Tokyo.

However, in the current global strategic and financial crisis, with the world closer to thermonuclear war than at any time in the modern era, normal procedures and processes do not apply. Almost anything could spark a new war, if the underlying causes of the global financial and strategic crisis are not addressed. As *The Economist* wrote in its wishful projection on the potential for a Sino-Japanese war: "Disputes about clumps of rocks could become as significant as the assassination of an archduke."

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To Stop '9/11 Two,' Expose Brit-Saudi-Obama Deadly Game

by Nancy Spannaus

Oct. 16—With the explosive revelations at the Oct. 10 hearings of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee about the failures of the Obama Administration to provide requested security at the Benghazi consulate, and other lapses, the well-deserved process of "Benghazi-gate" against President Obama and his administration is fully on. Charges and countercharges are flying—and the exposure of who, and what sequence of events, are responsible for the murder of Amb. Christopher Stevens and three other American personnel on Sept. 11, 2012 is just beginning.

While this news service obviously doesn't know the details of what occurred on the ground, Lyndon La-Rouche, as in the original Sept. 11, 2001 attack, has definitively identified the "animal" at work: the de facto alliance of the British and Saudi monarchies, and British tool Barack Obama. As in the original 9/11, in which the Bush-Cheney team took the part of Obama, this cabal is intent on unleashing a process of global chaos in the service of the British Queen's objective of eliminating what remains of the system of sovereign nationstates, which stands in the way of the financial oligarchy's demand for total global domination. In this gameplan, terrorist groups such as al-Qaeda are simply the expendable pawns of a deadly end-game, especially with Russia and China—and ultimately, so is the majority of the human race.

The removal of Obama from control over the U.S. government, especially of the nuclear button, is clearly essential to preventing short-term disaster as a result of

a continuation of 9/11 Two—especially as that alliance is proceeding to carry out "new Libyas" in Syria and Iran, and throughout Africa. But to stop the process in its tracks, requires political leaders in the United States and elsewhere, to finally expose and shut down the British-Saudi apparatus.

New EIR Report

The release of *EIR*'s latest Special Report, "Obama's War on America: 9/11 Two," this week, will play the crucial role in uprooting the British-Saudi-Obama nexus. The 136-page report draws on *EIR*'s unique and substantiated intelligence in three areas: 1) the Obama Administration's alliance with, and protection of, the British-Saudi al-Qaeda networks; 2) the London-Saudi role in international terrorism, both historically and today; and 3) the real story of the British-Saudi collusion in carrying out the original 9/11 attack.

The identification of the Saudi role, as a tool of the British monarchy and the prime player in the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks, is a particularly crucial aspect of this exposé. The story ranges from the role of BAE Systems, in providing a terrorist slush fund, to copies of some of the documents identifying the Saudi foot soldiers who were *protected by the Bush Administration* in their preparations for the 9/11 atrocity, and whose bosses, such as former Saudi Ambassador to the U.S. Prince Bandar bin-Sultan, are still being protected by Obama today.

By refusing to declassify critical documentation of



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The lid is coming off the coverup of the British-Obama-Saudi role in 9/11 Two, including the al-Qaeda role in the Syrian "rebellion." Shown: The black flag of al-Qaeda can been seen in this photo of troops of the Free Syrian Army (FSA) in Aleppo.

the Saudi role, Obama has guaranteed that the Saudifunded terrorist networks who did the original 9/11, still operate freely today.

Of crucial importance as well, is the inclusion of LaRouche's policy warnings during 2001, which not only forecast the horrors of what would occur, but provided the "road not taken" to avoid the strategic catastrophe in which the world currently finds itself. All the more important, then, that LaRouche's judgment of the current crisis, and what must be done, be listened to today.

Other Warnings

Fortunately, LaRouche is not the only political figure warning of the disaster impending from continuing the policy that led to the Libya atrocity. Both Rep. Dennis Kucinich (D-Ohio) and Sen. Rand Paul (R-Ky.) issued statements on Oct. 10 that warned of Obama starting new wars.

Most striking was Paul, who, in a long interview with CNN-TV, both attacked Obama's "illegal and unconstitutional" war in Libya—which led to the current dominance of jihadi groups in that country—and warned of a new war against Syria:

"I'm concerned that, you know, we could be at war

with Syria even before the election occurs if things escalate across Turkey's border. You know, you have the head of NATO now saying that if Turkey's attacked, all of a sudden all of NATO might be involved in this war.... I don't want to see *world war* where all of NATO comes on to the Turkish-Syria border and we're involved in a huge Middle East conflagration" (emphasis added).

Kucinich raised a similar issue both in the House hearing, and in an interview with *U.S. News & World Report*. In the hearing Kucinich was blunt:

"But we owe it to the diplomatic corps, who serves our nation, to start at the beginning, and that's what I shall do. The security threats in Libya, including the unchecked extremist groups who are armed to the teeth, exist

because our nation spurred on a civil war, destroying the security and stability of Libya.... We bombed Libya. We destroyed their army. We obliterated their police stations. Lacking any civil authority, armed brigades controlled security. Al Qaida expanded its presence. Weapons are everywhere. Thousands of shoulder-to-air missiles are on the loose. Our military intervention led to greater instability in Libya."

Kucinich went on to blast Congress itself for failing to stop Obama's illegal war in Libya. The next day, he called the question on Obama moving to launch the next illegal war against Syria, noting the announced deployment of 100-plus U.S. troops into Jordan, on the border, and the fact that the deployment "immeasurably" raises the danger of U.S. military action in a conflict there.

Obama Lies Exposed

Clearly, Obama, who has faithfully followed the "preemptive war" policy of the British Queen, cannot be trusted not to do so again. In fact, as the Oct. 10 hearing showed, he can't be trusted to provide security for Americans, or to tell the truth.

On the eve of the hearing, the Obama Administration had already tried to cover its tracks, for having

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blamed the murder of Stevens and his associates on a demonstration gone amok. A State Department official called some media and Congressional staff the night of Oct. 9, to say there had been no protest demonstration, that the attack was not sparked by a video, and that it was a preplanned terrorist attack. Thus, the Administration itself had already gone a long way to discrediting UN Ambassador Susan Rice, and Obama himself, in their many lying statements linking the attack to a non-existent demonstration.

During the hearing, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State Charlene Lamb testified that she had not only been informed of the Sept. 11 attack immediately, but had been in real-time contact with the personnel there. It was reported that there was a 50-minute video of the attack, which could not be handed over to the Committee.

Much of the other testimony was related to the security situation in Benghazi. The Democratic Party line that the Republicans had cut the budget for security there was countered by the report that security at the Benghazi compound was provided by the Africa Command, which had sufficient funds. Yet, according to the uncontested testimony of former Site Security Team (SST) head Lt. Col. Andy Wood, his team in Benghazi was terminated in August despite deteriorating security conditions, which Wood described as follows:

"From my personal point of view, things in Libya always remained difficult and uncertain and could devolve at any moment into further problems and result in loss of life almost at any minute.... A lawless situation was pretty much the norm.... There was no control of the borders of weapons smuggling in and out of the country.... We did notice an increase in targeted attacks toward Americans. These indicators spelled out to me that the country was far from secure and that the SST as it had been originally conceived was still in need at that location."

'Taliban on the Inside of the Building'

One of the most striking elements of the hearing came from the former Regional Security Officer in Libya, Eric Nordstrom. Nordstrom had been the official who had requested an extension of the SST, in light of the worsening security situation. However, Nordstrom testified, Lamb had told him that if he made the request, it would be rejected.

"We were not going to get resources until the aftermath of an incident," Nordstrom said. When he re-

turned to the U.S., Nordstrom testified, he was told by a superior whose first name is Jim, that "you are asking for the Sun, the Moon and the stars."

Then Nordstrom shocked those present, concluding: "For me the Taliban is on the inside of the building."

Why No More Security?

Throughout the hearing, and elsewhere, the Obama White House officials repeatedly insisted that the intelligence they received did not anticipate or confirm a terrorist attack on the consulate. Any blame for negligence had to go to intelligence failures, or the State Department, they implied.

Yet, qualified U.S. intelligence sources have told *EIR*, and other media such as *Newsweek*'s Eli Lake, that, not only was it obvious that security should be beefed up on the eve of the 9/11 anniversary, but that the White House Counterterror Tsar and Assistant to the President John Brennan would have been advised.

And while Director of National Intelligence James Clapper early on denied that his services had knowledge of a coming terror attack, this is widely seen as a cover for the President. Former CIA Director Michael Hayden and former Secretary of Homeland Security Michael Chertoff responded Oct. 12 to attacks on the intelligence community with a statement that said, in part: "Given what has emerged publicly about the intelligence available before, during, and after the September 11 [2012] attack, it is clear that any failure was not on the part of the intelligence community, but on the part of White House decision-makers who should have listened to, and acted on, available intelligence. Blaming those who put their lives on the line is not the kind of leadership this country needs."

It should be no secret to anyone that terrorists were running rampant in Libya: The Obama Administration was working hand-in-glove with al-Qaeda terrorists, many of whom had been incubated in London, in overthrowing Qaddafi. And now they are working with many of those same terrorists in Syria, or the surrounding nations, in the British-Saudi drive to overthrow the Assad government, and move on to confrontation with Iran, Russia, and China. That strategy was cooked up in London, funded in Saudi Arabia, and carried out in Washington.

It's up to patriotic Americans, without regard to party, to stop it, before it leads to global sectarian warfare, and World War III.

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Obituary: Mervyn M. Dymally

A Life Well Lived

by Harley Schlanger

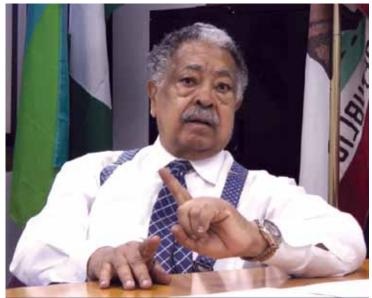
Humanity lost an impassioned fighter for the Good on Oct. 7, when Mervyn Dymally passed away, at the age of 86, but his life can serve as an example for the ideal of "Principle above Party," which Lyndon LaRouche has been emphasizing, as the exemplary ideal if we are to save our nation.

Mervyn was born in Trinidad in 1926, and developed a deep antipathy to the British Empire as a child. He spoke of seeing newsreels of World War II in the movie theaters, and laughingly recalled joining in with the crowd in booing Winston Churchill, and cheering for Franklin Roosevelt, whenever they appeared on the screen. Alti

evelt, whenever they appeared on the screen. Although he was not politically inclined when he first moved to the U.S. after the war, he said that the image of FDR as the wartime leader, but also as a man of compassion for the poor and underprivileged, made a profound impression on him, and moved him toward a life of political service, as an FDR Democrat.

He was first elected to the California State Assembly in 1962, and then to the State Senate in 1966, serving for eight years. His time in the California State Senate—the first black state senator—coincided with the two terms Ronald Reagan served as governor. Mervyn often spoke of how, despite significant disagreements on "issues," he was often able to work with Reagan to craft compromises, on such difficult budgetary questions as health care, education, and social services. "Reagan had fixed views," he said, "but, as governor, he knew that he had to be concerned with the lives of all Californians. We were able to work together, because we shared a commitment to the American dream, that was more important to him than party purity."

He contrasted this with the current batch of Republican conservatives that he encountered when he ended his retirement in 2002, to return to the Assembly, during the Schwarzenegger years, when partisanship and fixed ideology led to gridlock in California (and nationally). He said they called themselves "Reaganites," but they did not know the real Reagan. When these Republicans



I PAC-TV

Mervyn Dymally's life exemplified the ideal of "principle above party," in his long and distinguished career as a political leader. He is shown here in an LPAC interview on Aug. 19, 2010.

tried to cut a program that paid for burials of children in the foster-care system, to "save money," he shamed them into backing down, by asking, "Has California come to this? Is this the dream of California?"

Fighting for Economic Justice

After four years as California's first black Lieutenant Governor, 1975-79, he was elected to Congress, serving from 1981 to 1993, eventually becoming the chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC). While in Congress, he continued his fight to extend the civil rights movement to one for "economic justice," as championed by Martin Luther King. This included battles in the the Congress for health care (he became an opponent of Obamacare, which he called an "insurance bill"), education, and inclusion, and demanded that the CBC take up the cause of African and other developing nations. His first encounter with the Schiller Institute in Congress was on the matter of economic development—he often said that he learned from us that the International Monetary Fund was an extension of British colonial policy, and that is one of two concerns which attracted him to the LaRouche movement.

The other concern was the unconstitutional "Operation Frühmenschen," which he exposed from the floor

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^{1.} Frühmenschen was an FBI sting operation targeting black elected officials. The literal meaning of the German word is "early man."

of the U.S. House of Representatives in 1988. He had been the target of Frühmenschen attacks, as Lieutenant Governor, and again, as a Congressman. After watching the demise of his friend, Speaker Jim Wright (D-Tex.), who was run out as Speaker by the same methodology as Frühmenschen, he decided to retire, leaving the House of Representatives in 1993.

His active relationship with the LaRouche movement began in 1994, with our mobilization around the Schiller Institute hearings on Department of Justice fraud, including Frühmenschen and the LaRouche case, and soon expanded to regular, open collaboration. He spoke at many of our events and town meetings in California and Houston, Texas; attended national conferences in Northern Virginia; and joined with us to campaign against the Austrian fascist, Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, becoming one of the few elected officials with the guts to call Arnie a "fascist." He met several times with LaRouche, describing him once as the "most righteous man that he knows in politics." He was very enthusiastic about the development of the LaRouche Youth Movement, and often gave his time to

work with our younger members.

In short, he was a man of principle, who picked his fights wisely, who could be ruthless when necessary, and who often used humorous irony to disarm his opponents. He was generous toward his fellow man, giving his time even as ill health encroached on his energy. When King-Drew Hospital was shut down, depriving Los Angeles of its most important urban teaching hospital, he worked tirelessly to establish a nursing school there, which is now known as the Mervyn M. Dymally School of Nursing.

Mervyn's life of public service was inspired by his commitment to continuing the "American dream" for future generations of Americans, while extending it to the rest of the world. In our last discussion, he spoke of his anger about President Obama's drive for war in Syria, agreeing that this could trigger World War III. Although saddened by what he considered the failure of Obama, and worried about the blind loyalty to austerity among Republicans, he remained hopeful, to the end of his life, that the American ideal would continue to guide our nation into the future.



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INTERVIEW: GEORGE R. DAVIS

Give Dairy Farmers a Fair Price; Save the Milk Supply

Oct. 13—The California Farmers Union (CFU), comprised of more than 1,400 farmer, rancher, and fishermen members, is a state chapter of the National Farmers Union, which represents more than 250,000 members nationwide. George R. Davis, Vice-President of the CFU, is active with the California Dairy Campaign, an affiliate of the CFU. Davis, from a family dairy farm background, currently operates a vineyard in northern California. He was interviewed Oct. 9, 2012 by Marcia Merry Baker.



declared bankruptcy, or are in some form of receivership or other status.

Davis: Yes, that's true. Around me—I'm in wine country, and we don't have a [large] number of dairies here—but within two miles from me, three dairies have gone out of business.

In a more intensive dairy area, say in Turlock or Hanford, one of our members [of the California Farmers Union] has a dairy there, and six dairies have gone out of business within a three-mile radius. That's in the Central Valley, which is a major production area.

Dairies in Crisis

EIR: California is ground-zero for the turmoil now generally taking place among farmers, ranchers, and in the food supply itself, because California is the leading milk-producing state in the United States and a world center for milk; and because the dairy sector all across the country is being slammed in so many ways. California accounts for over 20% of U.S. production, and we're in crisis. Would you describe the scale and nature of what is happening in your state?

George J. Davis: Well, to give you an example, Wells Fargo Bank, a primary funder out here, for dairies, says that within 60 days, about 25-30% of our dairies will be out of business.

EIR: I understand, from the figures, you have about 1,600 operating dairies in the state—some of them are very large, and over a 100 or more of them have already

EIR: On the so-called math involved, the prices the farmers have been receiving for their milk, are just way below the costs. I understand that there's probably a million dollars being lost a day in dairy farming in California, if you add up losses from individual operations.

Davis: Oh, some people are losing \$40, 50, 60,000 a month; and larger ones, even more.

To give you a real snapshot of what the economics is, if you look at dairy prices for the last 60 years, up until 1970, the price that the producer—the dairyman—got, pretty much tracked with what the consumer was paying. You know, one would go up, and the other would go up. And one would fall a little bit, and the other would fall. That's how supply and demand is supposed to work.

Starting in 1970, the pricing of milk was changed—

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the way the price was set. And right now, our farmers are receiving the same price they were in 1970. And this is in real dollars, not dollars adjusted for inflation. They are receiving the same amount of money that they were in 1970. And you look at the intervening years—that line, what the dairymen have been receiving, is pretty much a flat line. I mean, there have been a couple of ups and downs, and a couple of spikes, but in general, that is the price they've been getting-1970 prices. And of course, the consumer has been paying the normal increases that everything accrues all throughout those years. You know, it costs the farmers the inflation, the increased insurance, and regulatory costs, to stay in business—that has all been going up.

EIR: Right. And even in the last few years, since there is deregulated, out-of-control speculation, fuel costs, power costs for the dairy operations have all shot up, not to mention veterinary and other things you need; and then, with the drought impact on the quantity and pricing for the feed.

Davis: Yes, of feed available. The immediate thing that is precipitating this crisis, is the price of feed, corn-based feed, because of the drought. And the increased utilization of corn for ethanol—that has been a factor in it.

But in the long term, it has been the price-setting mechanism, that has been grossly unfair, and totally balanced toward the monopolies.

Monopolies Set Unfair Prices

EIR: Really, it has become quite outstanding, the domination of a very few firms, internationally as well as domestically in the United States.

Davis: You have, basically, three buyers for all the milk in the United States. There are some little niche markets here and there, but the overall market is controlled by three large entities. One of them controls the cheese.

EIR: Kraft.

Davis: Kraft. We all know that. One of them controls what we call fluid milk, which is the milk you drink: Dean Foods.

EIR: They had merged with Suiza, and there was a whole history.

Davis: They had bought up all the little guys. Like here in California, we had Berkeley Farms and Carnation. Sometimes you'll still see these brands, but



Irish Farmers Association (IFA)

The Irish Farmers Association led a protest demonstration of 20,000 in Dublin, Oct. 9, against measures pending by the EU Common Agriculture Policy, threatening financial ruin across farm sectors of EU member nations. Milk is the foremost category of Ireland's farm production, accounting for 34% of the nation's Gross Agricultural Output, with beef, second at 32% of GAI.

they're really owned by Dean Foods.

So Dean Foods controls all the liquid milk, and they can set the price pretty much where they want, because they have so much buying power. And a farmer can't go anywhere else to sell his product.

And the third large entity is Fonterra, which used to be called New Zealand milk. About 25 or 30 years ago, they entered the international market, and really they control the caseinates, and all of what we call powdered milk—milk protein concentrate, things that are added to cheese—all kinds of food additives now contain these proteinacious substances derived from milk.

And there's quite a bit of stuff going on in the international marketplace, where they control the international marketplace, and they're actually selling powdered milk into the United States at a price that's lower than the international price. That doesn't make economic sense. Why would somebody buy high and sell low, except to impact the domestic market here, and keep the prices down?

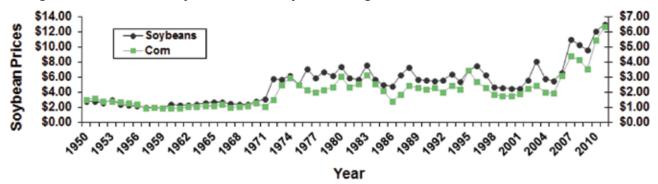
So you're seeing this tremendous consolidation within the industry. It's the same thing that happened to pork and poultry, where you have only a few processors, and they're vertically integrated, and they control the whole thing.

EIR: Absolutely, and we can say more on that. But let's look a bit at, then, the action that's necessary—and some of what you're involved in—that is, the National

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FIGURE 1

Average Iowa Corn and Soybean Prices, by Marketing Year, 1950-2011



USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service

After the 2012 drought, corn prices hit over \$8 a bushel. This graph was presented to the Environmental Protection Agency Oct. 11 by the National Pork Producers Council, co-signator with dairy organizations and dozens of other livestock groups on a July 30 request for a waiver of the Renewable Fuels Standard. On Oct. 11, the NPPC appealed to the EPA again, saying that the feed supply shock causes "explosively higher prices, crippling credit and liquidity shortfalls and the frightening prospect that some producers ... cannot assure stable access to corn ... to feed their animals."

Farmers Union and the California Dairy Campaign.

Davis: Yes. The California Farmers Union and their affiliate, the California Dairy Campaign.

Dairy Farmers Rally

EIR: Among other things, you say that there should be intervention. There's an Oct. 18 rally in the state capital in Sacramento, for emergency pricing.

Davis: Yes, that's right. The California Dairy Campaign is organizing its members to get a little more vocal. You know, traditionally farmers have been just taking what the government has to offer, and now they're getting activated. It's really been something to get them to this point, where they are ready to go out on the streets and raise a little hell. And it's about time.

EIR: I understand too, that the day after the Farm Bill Now rally Sept. 12 in Washington, D.C., with multiple groups, in Sacramento, there were 400 farmers demonstrating. I heard it was kind of a pre-rally. It was in front of the Food and Agriculture Department of the state, over this impossible pricing situation, where the gap between what the dairy farmers are getting and what they're paying out is impossible.

Davis: Yes. Let me tell you a couple of things. California has its own pricing system, which is different from the Federal Marketing Order. The Federal Marketing Order, which is the price that is set on the CME—the Chicago Mercantile Exchange—the cheese price, and that influences the other prices to a great extent.

California has its own marketing order, and it's also set on a cheese price. Well, when a California farmer sells his milk to a dairy, or a cheese processor, that portion of the milk which is rendered into whey, used to be considered a waste product, and the farmer was not paid for this—the whey that was taken out of the milk, in order to make the cheese. And that's the way it still is. Although at this point, almost all the processors utilize that whey; if they can't process it themselves and turn it into sports drinks, they sell it on the open market. So they're getting fair gain from it.

And this would raise the price in California—if farmers were paid for their whey, that portion of the milk which is rendered into whey—the price of milk in California would jump by \$2.00 [to the farmer] a hundredweight, which would be a big deal for them. It would keep them out of the hole. It would get us on a par with the rest of the country.

Food Supply at Stake

EIR: Well, whatever reasoning, it's the food supply at stake. So it isn't as if it's someone's lifestyle, as some peabrains might make one think, about what kind of pricesetting is necessary to keep these milk operations going.

Davis: Farmers would like nothing more than supply and demand. And right now, we're in a situation where a big thumb is on the scale. There is actually a shortage of milk over the entire United States, and the price to the farmer keeps going down. That doesn't make sense. We have plants that are running at 30%, 20% capacity.

EIR: Meaning processing plants. In other words, they can't get the raw milk in.

Davis: Processing plants. They can't get the milk in to process, and yet they're holding the price down. Be-

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cause that's a good deal for them. They'd rather, you know, make a little less, so they can make more profit off of the difference.

EIR: Let me throw in here, that it's a coincidence, that today in Dublin, Ireland, 20,000 farmers and supporters rallied over their Common Agriculture Program of the European Union. Some of the specifics are different, but the same principle applies: They are being put into an impossible situation, with some changes in pricing, and, of course, they are part of this same "oneworld market," so-called, which you just described, in which there are operations like Fonterra—which is a little like the old British (Empire) Commonwealth—out of New Zealand. Ireland knows a lot about that too, and so do we. So this is a world crisis.

You mentioned ethanol. The California Dairy Campaign was one of the co-signers—with the National Pork Producers Council and dozens of other groups this Summer, July 30, appealing to the Environmental Protection Agency, the Obama Administration, to have the Federal government waive partially or fully, the requirement of the Renewable Fuels Standard, that corn go into ethanol, because of the drought impact here.

I say that, because Ireland was too wet, and cut 20-50% of their wheat and barley, which they rely on. Here we lost corn, soy, hay, and alfalfa. Would you say more about that? California is very dependent on bringing in feed.

Davis: We are, and from the Midwest. They grow corn better than we do. And we have a more intensive type of agricultue out here. So that's what's shaped up, given the cost of transportation and everything, is that we buy our corn from the Midwest, and we produce more milk out here.

In a situation where we had a sane government, we would have a Renewable Fuel Standard, and a certain portion of our corn would go to that, according to market conditions and need—those are coupled.

What has happened is that people are afraid to reduce that standard for ethanol, to respond to the [conditions], for the fear that once they do it, the government will lock in a lower level [of mandated ethanol], and so then the corn farmers will be up the creek. This is something that should be a no-brainer.

You store more corn in years of high harvest, and you take out of that storage, in years of drought and low crop yields. This is what Joseph advised the Pharoah to do in Biblical times. It still makes sense now, but we

have a government that's so locked into ideology and politics that we can't do what Joseph did 2,000 years ago in Egypt.

EIR: You mean the seven lean years and the seven fat years.

Davis: That's right.

EIR: And in this context, go back to what you said before, about the use value of sound milk marketing orders. People should appreciate, that we are dealing with a perishable product—fluid milk.

Davis: Yes. Milk is something you can't store, except if you make into caseinate or something. But you can definitely store grain.

EIR: But in the time before the change in milk marketing orders, before the 1970s, we might have on hand, even butter, or powder, and so did other nations. As long as it wasn't used to undercut the price to the farmer, this was a good thing for the food supply.

Davis: That was the traditional method of agriculture and the role of government, since before the 1930s, but it came into being in the '30s, when it was formalized. We had a strategic grain reserve, and we set aside certain quantities of various crops in those years of high yield, and consumed them in various times of low yield. It just makes sense. It stabilizes the price for the consumer and the farmer. And so, a housewife can do her budgeting, and the farmer can do his budgeting, and live a predictable and peaceful life.

EIR: And I'm sure that's the point of having a farm bill. There can be discussions of merits or demerits of particular sections of it—titles as they're called—but you need the continuity and stability.

Davis: That's right.

Parity Pricing, Emergency Intervention

EIR: Another word for the principle involved in farmers having a price on which they can plan and get credit and so forth, was parity, as it was called in the 1930s. But however you want to call it—a floor price, for example—I'll quote from your California Farmers Union release on your policy on your website. It says:

"Congress should provide mandatory funding for a safety net program to allow producers to earn the cost of production, plus the opportunity for a reasonable profit from the marketplace."

So that's what you're talking about here, with emergency pricing relief, right?

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Davis: Yes. We're talking about a couple of things: one, on the state level. The California Secretary of Food and Agriculture has the power to raise the price of milk that is sold to cheese-makers, to account for that whey that is not being paid for currently. And that's about \$2.10.

Thus far, she's offered 10 cents. That's not really going to help many people. There are people that are going out of business right and left, people that were prosperous farmers in the '50s, '60s, '70s, '80s, and up into the '90s, that are now filing for bankruptcy. People who are running good operations. People who are as efficient as any farmer can be. And they're filing for bankruptcy. It's not right.

And then on the Federal level: A group of us have presented a petition

to the Secretary of Agriculture. The Secretary has the power to convene hearings on the price of milk, and as the result of those hearings, if he so finds, to set the price at a level of parity—about where the cost of production is at, and where the market is set. He has that power. And we're trying to mobilize support in Congress right now, to give some support to the Secretary to do just that.

EIR: It will be good to not wait until after the elections, and have Congress convene, and go for that, given how much is being lost every day.

Davis: I know.

Glass Steagall, Food Reliability

EIR: The National Farmers Union and others, have, in their yearly policy statement, addressed the general context of the deregulated marketplace, and banking and credit, because what we need now is, obviously, emergency credit and loans, to make sure that no operations shut down. Even in the beef sector, hogs, pork producers—some of the family-sized operations are losing \$40 a head—this is not possible.

So one of the game-changers, is to restore the Glass-Steagall Act, that was the 1933 act that was repealed in 1999—

Davis: That separates the banking and mortgages from speculation. We're very much in favor of restoring the Glass-Steagall Act. We're very much in favor



USDA/Lynn Betts

A dairy farm in Stanislaus County, San Joaquin Valley, Calif., 2001. The state's highly productive herds, mostly Holstein, account for over 20% of U.S. milk production.

of keeping balanced markets, wherever we can make them.

EIR: You have given a very clear snapshot, and all eyes around the world are on this, just as on the 20,000 people demonstrating in Dublin today: This is the food supply. We'll look forward to talking with you again, and to forcing successful policies.

Do you want to say anything else?

Davis: Yes. I think this issue affects consumers, it affects the price of their milk, it affects the quality of their milk, it affects the quality of the environment.

We've got to make a choice, whether we want our food to come out of one great big plant, or do we want it to be integrated into the countryside, with the wildlife and streams and forests. Or do we want these big megafactories that pollute like crazy, and that have enough power to buy the legislature, and to have their own way? There is something critical about farming and the way of life, that's a value that we lose as well. It really means a lot to this country.

If you look at the military, 40% of those serving in the military come from farm backgrounds. These people believe in America. They want to make it work. They've been putting their shoulders to the wheel, and working all their lives. There are no finer people. And that's really where our best future is, to support them, and to support an honest and just society.

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LaRouche: Save the Nation From the British Empire

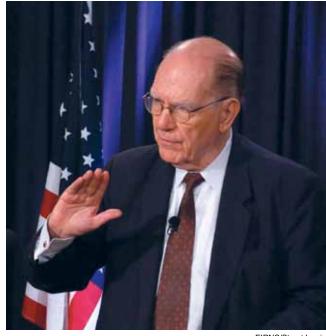
Here are excerpts from the second of Lyndon La-Rouche's Friday webcasts, leading up to the Presidential election on Nov. 6. The webcast, on Oct. 12, was moderated by Matthew Ogden, with questions fielded by Leandra Bernstein and Jason Ross. The webcast videos are at larouchepac.com/lpactv.

Lyndon LaRouche: We shall follow essentially the pattern we established last week. It will be essentially the same subject, but it will be more amplified, and have some new things interspersed.

The first thing we have to be concerned about, always on this issue, is to understand what we mean by a policy, for the government of the United States. And there are three elements which can now be established, as the absolute requisites for a reconstruction of a badly damaged, Constitutionally and otherwise, as well as economically, United States [see box].

We are a piece of wreckage. Essentially it began with the assassination of President Kennedy, and from that point on, the United States has, in fact, been in a continuous process of physical economic decline. There has never been a net gain in the U.S. economy since that time. There's been a lot of talk to pretend that it's better to have sandwiches than it is to have full meals, or something like that, but there has never been any recovery of the rate of growth which the Kennedy Administration had represented up until the time of his assassination.

And Kennedy was actually a revival of what President Franklin Roosevelt had done, and we had President



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LaRouche said that under Obama, the U.S. is "a piece of wreckage." Financial collapse and world war can only be prevented with a shift away from party politics, and toward real solutions

dent Eisenhower who saved us from the worst of what had been done earlier by Truman. But he didn't go all the way, and he couldn't go all the way: He needed a new start. And he got it with Kennedy, who was actually steered by Eleanor Roosevelt, whose function was to demonstrate to President Kennedy how one worked



National Archives

The industrial buildup for World War II: assembling a

B-25 bomber (left) and electrician welders at work.

Truman's Presidency began to dismantle the productive

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to carry forward the program that President Roosevelt had set into motion before the war had broken out.

So, we we need to get back to that.

We Have Gone Downhill

But, in the meantime, as you know, we went into a long war in Indochina. We have never recovered from approximately ten years of war in Indochina. We never returned, and most of our people who went into that war didn't return either—if they returned alive, they didn't return in good mind, or with a good prospect.

We've gone through a set of social decay, intellectual decay, which has dominated the history of this nation ever since that time. You've had ups and downs, but these ups and downs have been marginal. We've lost what we were under Franklin Roosevelt, and what we had regained with the efforts of Eisenhower to defend what the Roosevelt Administration had done, and also what had happened under Kennedy. We have

never recovered. We have declined.

economy.

For example, today: You really don't have jobs. Don't let anyone kid you. We're shy of 27 million jobs. Don't let the figures of Obama fool you. And we're going down. And the policy of both candidacies is to cut further. Obama to make deeper cuts, in a population where 27 million jobs are missing. And on the Republican side, the austerity package which is proposed may not be as insane as that of Obama, but there's no hope for mankind under that program either.

There must be an immediate return to real jobs, which means productive jobs, not make-work jobs, but productive jobs. Which means career employment, where you take a family, and you take the wage-earning member, the income-earning member of the family, and you begin to build up greater skills in the people who are employed in those families. Which is the way we did it in every time of recovery we've had since the beginning of our nation.

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So that has all been lost. It's all been wiped out. And there's no intention in the system, now—there are no real jobs. The real jobs were shipped overseas, to China and Japan and elsewhere! And people can't find work because there *isn't* work. It's not provided. There is no employment in meaningful work. There's no meaningful employment in productive work. There's makework, and that's getting too expensive, because the debts are piling up, and the rate of hyperinflation—and it is hyperinflation—on both sides of the Atlantic, is killing everything.

Right now, as it stands, you pray for your life against Obama; you pray for your economy against the Republican Party. That's our problem.

Party Politics Is Killing Us

Now, Obama cannot be salvaged. No one has a good excuse for voting for Obama. This guy is a menace. You get nothing good out of him; you'll get very much evil out of him. So, don't count on him.

The problem is, we've got people out there who are Democrats and Republicans, and, as I emphasized last week, the point here is, we don't believe in party government. We've got to get rid of party government.

The Three-Point Program

LaRouche refers to three policies required to reconstruct the U.S. economy. Often discussed in *EIR*, they are, in brief:

- 1. Restore Franklin Roosevelt's Glass-Steagall law in its 1933 form, to protect commercial banks from the gambling casino of investment banking, thereby wiping out trillions of dollars of speculative debts.
- 2. Institute a credit system, along the lines of Alexander Hamilton's National Bank, to replace the monetarist system and provide government credit for productive job creation.
- 3. Implement the North American Water and Power Alliance (NAWAPA XXI), an enormous project for water diversion from where it is too abundant to where it is desperately needed. Millions of jobs will be created.

We've got this Republican element, whose value is it's not Obama. But there is no real understanding yet of what is required for a genuine recovery, or how we're going to deal with the global problems before us.

So, what you've got is, you've got a sane bunch of people, who are not always right—sometimes they're a little bit wrong—and we have some good Democrats; but as long as Obama's in there, they're not going to do any good at all. We've seen that. I mean, [Bill] Clinton has tried to help, shall we say, Obama, but he has not only failed to help Obama—because Obama wouldn't let him help him—but Bill has been made weaker and poorer, and less loved, and less respected, as a result of being contaminated by the touching of that Obama.

So we've in a situation where we have to have a change in the direction of government, directly, recognizing that there's been a long trend, especially since the time of the assassination of John Kennedy—there's been a long trend in the United States which is net downward.

And the conditions of life? Look at our children. Look at this generation of children. Aren't you afraid of them?

Look at the people who used to have jobs. They don't have the skills anymore. They're not productive. We've got a small fraction of the population which has the kind of skills that we had back during the World War II period.

Take Detroit, for example, the whole region around there; and California, particularly southern California—we had a productive capability which astonished and shocked the world. Our war machine, which we converted at the end of the war into a civilian machine, was the most powerful machine of production on this planet. And there's almost none of that left alive today. You are living in a destroyed economy.

Now, Obama is evil. That's clear. I know this, he's evil. But on the other hand, the rest of us seem to be not too intelligent. And some of the Republican ideas I hear coming around are terrible. You need an increase and recovery of the productive powers of labor of the United States, as you do in Europe, which is in a breakdown crisis; as you do in Africa, which is in a starve-to-death crisis, and disease crisis; in South America and elsewhere.

This planet lacks growth. It has collapsed too far. We're on the verge of destruction, and frankly, this is partly intentional. Partly it's bad policy, or partly it's evil policy. But partly it's intentional.

The British Empire and 9/11

For example, let's take the British Empire. And it *is* a British Empire. There are two British empires in fact, but they're all one, and it's united by an organization called BAE. BAE was the organization that created, guess what? 9/11 One. BAE is the organization which created what's also in process against the United States now, 9/11 Two.¹ And that's your enemy.

And we have a President who covers up for BAE! And covers up for the fact that we're having a 9/11 Two in the United States right now. It's under the direction of Obama, under the direction of the British monarchy. Because, from the beginning, 9/11—which was organized at the time the younger George Bush first came into the Presidency, even before then; that was the intention. 9/11 was an attack on the United States by joint forces of the Saudi Kingdom and the U.S. government. That's how it was done. But with the British.

It was the young Bush who acted as the cover for 9/11, and the Bush family. Remember the day that 9/11 had happened, they took the whole family of Osama bin Laden, which was visiting with the Bush family in Texas, and they shipped it as the first shipload of people to fly out of the United States. Remember, after 9/11 everything was shut down; not a thing was allowed to move out of the United States or otherwise. But somebody did move to safety: the family of the authors of 9/11, and they were flown out in the family plane given to them, the only plane that left the United States at that time.

Now, since that time, we've had people who investigated, from the Senate level and so forth, this process. And they collected evidence which they're not allowed to say a word about. Their evidence is *sealed*. It was sealed by the Bush Administration, the young Bush Administration, and it was sealed by Obama. The reason you can't find the truth about things is because Obama is being run by the British. And it was the British BAE, together with the Saudis, which ran 9/11. And the thing that's running the same operation today, and much of the terrorist operation in the Middle East is the same crew, BAE—and it's also the Saudi Kingdom and the British

monarchy. These are the two forces that are responsible for this crime against America. And there are people who have the evidence, which they're not allowed to reveal, which will identify exactly that information.

In the meantime, through my good fortune and knowledge, I know a lot of the facts about 9/11, which go to the point of indicating, not the complete story, but an adequate story, that the Saudi ambassador [Prince Bandar] to the United States was a key part in 9/11. He was a key figure in organizing 9/11, and he's now the chief muckety-muck in Saudi Arabia running the crimes being run from there. And the evidence is there. And this President, Obama, is the one who put the lid on it again. Obama promised, when he was becoming elected, he promised to unfold the evidence on 9/11, and then he reneged and he's refusing to the present day to tell the truth: that 9/11 was run by the British monarchy and by the Saudi monarchy; they're the ones that ran the thing. And the proof, at least sufficient proof, is already on the record, and that record is being suppressed. And Obama is the second one who did that. Obama is the one who put the lid on the cover-up on 9/11. And there's another 9/11 going on, which is going on throughout the world, and it's now being directed, in part by Obama, right now.

So, if you are for Obama, you are implicitly guilty of supporting treason against the United States. That's not a good classification for a Presidential candidate. So this we can not tolerate. We can not tolerate an institution of a certain class, a certain class of people, trans-Atlantic, who conspire, as between Britain and Saudi Arabia, and conduct this kind of conspiracy against the United States, as well as against other nations. Who do you think is causing the terror in the Middle East today? Saudi Arabia, with British backing. All the bloodshed. What do you think is wrong with Turkey? Turkey has a government who is close to the Saudi thinking, not the other fraction of the Turkish population.

The Brink of Thermonuclear War

The whole issue is that, and we're on the edge of thermonuclear war. And the British are pushing it; and President Obama is pushing it. What has protected us is that the Joint Chiefs of Staff and people like that in the United States, and people like that in Europe, including Russia, and China.

We're having Hell on Earth. Our people are in danger of being largely destroyed.

What does that mean in the way of destruction?

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^{1.} The reference is to the attack on the U.S. compound in Benghazi, Libya. See "9/11 Take Two," *EIR*, Sept. 21, 2012, www.larouchepub. com/other/2012/3937_9_11_take_2.html, and the October 2012 EIR Special Report, "Obama's War on America: 9/11 Two," http://www.larouchepub.com/Merchant2/merchant.mv?Screen=PROD&Store_Code=TLPS&Product_Code=EIRSP-2012-3-0-0-PDF&Category_Code=EIRSP

Soviet Premier Khrushchov commissioned the super-bomb known as "Big Ivan" ("Tsar Bomba" in the West) the largest nuclear weapon ever built and detonated. The UPI article is dated Aug. 8, 1961; the bomb was detonated on Sept. 1.

Super Bomb

Khrushchev Issues Gruesome Warning

MOSCOW (UPI)—Premier Ni- munist Party and the Soviet gov a S. Khrushchev gave the ernment will do all in their power orld a grim warning Wednesday to prevent war." kita S. Khrushchev gave the world a grim warning Wednesday night that Soviet scientists have proposed building a bomb with the explosive power of 100 million

tons of TNT.

He coupled this with a declara tion that the Soviet Union will many and a disparaging dismissal of American space efforts.

But then he told a glittering

Kremlin reception audience gathered to honor spaceman Maj. Gherman S. Titov that "the Com-

Khrushchev's combination carrot-and-stick remarks follower a tumultuous 34-hour Red Squar-welcome for the 26-year-old cos monaut in which the premier re peatedly kissed Titov and said:

"We believe and know that th time is not far off when spac the route to the moon, to the planets of the solar system."

The Kremin reception that fo

Wednesday evening

Look, you're at the edge of thermonuclear war, global thermonuclear war, right now. And we're on the edge of it, and everybody in the intelligence community, on the military side, knows it. That's what the discussion is what do you think the Joint Chiefs of Staff are talking about? They're talking about preventing the launching of thermonuclear war.

Now just to review: What does thermonuclear war mean now? The development of thermonuclear technology, as a weapons technology, came in during the 1960s. It was already known information, practice, then. We went into a period where we thought we were on the edge of a thermonuclear war with Khrushchov, and Khrushchov ran one experimental threat demonstration, and he set the thing off to demonstrate it, after he had been set back on his other plans. Khrushchov set off the bomb, the super-bomb. He set it off to demonstrate what the power of the Soviet Union was, and he set off what was essentially a super-nuclear explosion, but in its effects there was some thermonuclear fusion going on inside this explosion. And this black cloud of



debris from a thermonuclear explosion, on a test area, became the basis for defining what a thermonuclear war would be known to be.

A thermonuclear war today is what we face under the influence of Obama—without Obama and the British, there is no danger of thermonuclear war. If you want to get rid of the threat of thermonuclear war against the United States and other nations, remove the Oueen of England and the Saudi Kingdom from the ranks of power. And you have to pull out Obama in the process, because he's their stooge. That's what we're dealing with.

Now if this thing happens, as anyone in the military department who knows anything about this kind of business today knows, a thermonuclear war would mean that the Ohio class submarines—for one big part of it are deployed to launch a battery of explosions, attacks from the submarines themselves. This is the greatest potential kill-power available on the planet today. And that is exactly what things are going to lead to.

Now the United States is the most powerful weapons system in the world right now, but Russia is also a powerful weapons system; China is also a powerful weapons system; India is not lacking in some of those skills, and so forth. So therefore, what happens then, if this thing comes to a showdown, people in Russia will know the minute the Ohio submarine missiles are sent, people in China will know, people in Japan will know, and so forth and so on.

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So what you will have then, is if somebody is detected in launching a thermonuclear attack, all parties at that point have to launch their charges, too. The result probably will be completed in an hour and a half of lapsed time. It'll be the first launch and then follow-up launches. So, in about an hour and a half, the hard fighting part will be over, and there will be black clouds and the like hovering around the planet, sweeping around the planet. And those people who are fortunate or unfortunate enough to have survived that first blow, won't make it too long after that, because the destruction of the ability of the economy alone, the ability to grow crops and these kinds of things, under those kinds of conditions are such, that you're looking at an extinction experience, or a nearly extinction experience for the human species.

Throw Obama Out!

And that's what the Obama Administration's complicity in the British/Saudi operation amounts to. Without the United States weaponry, under the control of Obama, you could not have a thermonuclear war. Because nobody who has the power to use such weapons would be able to, without the [participation] of the United States government itself. Therefore, it is absolutely indispensable, for the sake of the planet as well as the United States and other nations, that Obama be removed from power.

That's the issue. Some people will deny it, but they're either stupid or liars, or just plain ignorant. That's the danger. That's what [Gen. Martin] Dempsey and company have been warning you against in their own way. That's the great threat that faces the United States.

Now, if you eliminate the Obama factor, and if Obama is thrown out of office, it is doubtful that that war will occur. But we're on the edge of it, because if it gets to the point that you involve Russia in a war with any of the leading fringe countries in the Near East and the Mediterranean region, you're going to set off thermonuclear war. And what's happening in Turkey right now—the threat from Turkey is the greatest immediate threat to the entire human race. Not because it's responsible for the whole human race, but because its role could set off precisely that effect. And that's where we are.

So, we're at a point where you have a Republican candidacy, and I don't think it's so very good. As a matter of fact, it's not good. So, if you want to say it's not very good, that's all right; you're probably telling

the truth. It's not necessarily bad because it intends to be bad, it's just bad because it gets bad ideas, or ideas that are very foolish. Like austerity measures. When you have 27 million Americans who fit the category "labor force," and they're unemployed and with hopeless chances, and you say you're going to *cut? You're going to cut?* You have to be some kind of a pompous idiot.

So therefore, the question is, we've got to have what I stressed last week. You can not go with a partisan approach. A partisan approach won't work. You can not have a recovery of the U.S. economy under a partisan system. You just can't do it, because of conflicting interests. And what we've had, we have a system of government which is becoming increasingly destructive. You can take it in modern times since Franklin Roosevelt; when Franklin Roosevelt left office and Truman came in, we began this cut process, we began destroying things; destroying our productive powers of labor. Do any of you know how much of the protective potential which had been listed under war matériel had been destroyed under the Truman Administration? Do you realize what the productive power of this United States would have been, if that cut process had not occurred? If we continued with the process of converting our productive potential from war potential into other kinds of potential, useful potential? We didn't.

Truman was a real problem. He was the enemy of the Roosevelt concept; he was a Wall Street guy, a Wall Street man. And he had Wall Street ideas, and Wall Street ideas were never good for the United States. Wall Street is essentially a British puppet, it always has been, from the beginning. You had traitors and similar kinds of skunks from Wall Street, and from Boston Back Bay, and things like that, some of the Boston crowd are equally bad. But we had this kind of destruction of the potentiality of our economy.

What happened was, with the onset of what led toward a new depression in the late part of the 1960s, we were on the verge, again, of a slide into a depression, after the interim of the highly productive role under Kennedy, and the salutory efforts under Eisenhower.

So we now come to the point that our political system is based on a system that doesn't work, not for the nation.

So today what we need is, we've got to throw Obama out of office, because he's a disease, effectively a disease, not a candidate. But the Republican Party is admittedly not a very good show for getting this problem solved. So we have to make some changes.



President Harry Truman with British Prime Minister Winston Churchill during the Potsdam Conference in Germany, July 18, 1945. "Truman was the enemy of the Roosevelt concept; he was a Wall Street man," said

Politics Is Not a Sports Competition

LaRouche.

The crux of the thing, as I indicated last week, is, the first thing you have to do, is you have to get rid of the party system. Eliminate the party system, because, when you reduce politics to the kind of competition, like sports competition, like arena competition, that sort of thing, people don't think any more. They don't really think. Most of our citizens, when it comes to politics, don't think. They think in party terms. They think, "Is my party going to win? I'm on this side." Or, "I'm he's on that side. And we're going to see which party wins." What about the policy? "No, the policy will come second. First the party has to win." And that's what's going on with many people now. "Our party must win, and after we win, then we will decide to do some good things." That's typical U.S. Presidential, etc., campaign policy: "When we have won, all good things will be bestowed upon you." "There'll be a mystery, and all the good things that you would like would be bestowed upon you by a generous new administration. And in four years, you will be in Paradise!" That's what they go through.

The party system breeds idiots. It's not wrong to have parties, political parties, but they should be clubs, not political organizations. They should be discussion clubs. But they should not have a mission which they control as a party.

When we elect a President, and we elect other Federal officials, they are installed. The competition among them for policy is right. But when you bring in a bunch of people, and you're trying to bribe them, with saying that you're promising this, and you're promising them that, and you're going to give them the sense of victory: "Your party is going to win! Think how good you'll feel when your party wins!"

And they act like people in a giant auditorium. And you have two auditoriums—one on one side, one on the other, Republican and Democratic. And they're out there to beat the other party, the other *team*, the other political team, the other political this or that.

Read the press. What does the press say about the campaign? What does it say about the motives and goals of the candidacies? They're fools! They're not concerned with whether their ideas are competent or not; they just want their party to win. Just like rooting

for their baseball team, or their football team, or whatever—their jockstrap team, or whatever.

And that's the way our voters think. They think like stupid people, because they believe you've got to win the game. You've got to win the sports event, and they treat the whole electoral process as a sports event.

And then, what they do after they get elected, whoever does get elected, then they compromise. They now work with the two parties, or the three parties, or whatever number they are, and they compromise among themselves. It's called, "Go along to get along." And it's a compromise all the way. What is done for the citizen? Nothing. Or virtually nothing. Some people get a piece of pie, somebody gets nothing.

And winning the ability to control who passes out the goodies to whose buddy's party, is the whole game. You go to the losing party, and now, "You've lost, haven't you? Your party lost, right? Now you want something, right? Okay. If you'll do this for us, so we can help control our Republican people who are in power right now, and you do the right thing by us, and make a nice *compromise*, we'll give you a cherry."

And that's the way it's done.

And so, therefore, you've got a system of politics, a system of government, which at its root, in terms of the whole administration of justice and everything else, is *corrupt*, because it's a bunch of jockstraps running

loose with people inside them, is what it amounts to. And that's where we are.

Go Back to the Constitution

If we're going to survive now, we have to go back to the original Constitution, to go back to the memory of people like John Quincy Adams, who were great creators. Remember people like Franklin Roosevelt, like John F. Kennedy, and other people who were very useful, or even heroes, like Lincoln, in our history.

They didn't do this compromise business. They would compromise only after the war had been won. After the war is won, then you can compromise. And try to reunite the nation, or try to reunite nations, which have been at odds with each other, and bring them together. And say, "We got the war over with. No more war! No more anteroom to war." And that's what we require.

So therefore, we have to think about how we, a few geniuses and other people like us, are going to help fix it. Not because we're looking for some cherry, or some great apple, or this or that, but because, it's our nature. It's our nature, of concern for our nation and for humanity, which is not blocking our view.

And therefore, we're going to have to find ways, within the terms of our Constitution, in particular, to get some real economic growth started and functioning, now.

And what we want, is to have the Democrats who will dump Obama, join the Republicans who will dump some of the nonsense on that side, and say, "This is a constituency." But we're not going to run politics on a party system. We may have parties who support a Presidential candidate, support the selection of a Vice President, select key political figures, in order to compose a government of our choice. To look at the composition and selection of members of the Congress in the same way. And bring people together based on specific commitments to workable ideas, and to work, foremost, for certain changes which are needed.

But no longer take the government and nation of the United States, and use it as a gambling hall, which is what's being done *right now*. Our system of government is a gambling-hall system. It is not based on principle, real principles. It's not based on scientific principles. It's not based on things you can count on, that will actually work. It's not based on achieving goals which are absolutely necessary. It's a show. It's a sideshow. It's a Barnum & Bailey circus. And that's what we have

to get now.

I think we can do that. It certainly is possible. It's possible to get enough people together, to realize where this election campaign is going, at this late stage for the selection of the Presidency.

I think that the fear of thermonuclear war, which

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should be there—it should be the great fear, because, you know, tomorrow morning, we could be in thermonuclear war, more or less globally. And a day or two after that, you would be in Hell, of one kind or another. So it's not too late to change. It's not too late to get out of this mess, and to come to your senses.

Just think about it, as you go out of here tonight. Think about how people behave, in the light of what I have just been talking about. How many of them are really moral, in their intentions? How many are gambling? How many look at politics like gambling? That "if we bet this way, and bet that way, we can win something. Win something big. We're out for the big potato."

How many of them trouble to understand, what makes a national economy function? From what I observe, almost none. What I see in the public speeches, and I see in the press, virtually nothing. There is nothing of competence which will indicate any recovery of this nation, from the troubles that beset it now. I see nothing that justifies keeping Obama, particularly, anywhere near an office. I think that two people voting for him, even if they are members of his own family, would be too much. So therefore, what we've got to concentrate on is that.

All right, so, we're facing a nuclear winter, which comes from a thermonuclear war, and we're on the edge. And no competent military figures or centers would debate, among themselves, what I've just told you. We're on the edge of thermonuclear war, by a number of nations in concert, each feeling they can not get out of the war, because somebody else is starting it. And that's the end of mankind, as we've known it.

And it can all happen now, because you, or some-

Right: Russian graphic of ballistic missile trajectories across NATO's planned ABM facilities in Eastern Europe. Below: Artist's depiction of a comet striking Earth. Needed: Strategic Defense of Earth!



Russian Ministry of Defense

body like you out there, thought Obama was a good choice for President. And you failed to realize that you're still living under the influence of an empire, which is today composed of the British monarchy. Forget the British people—that's another thing. It's the British monarchy itself, which controls a great number of countries.

For example, every nation of black Africa is controlled by the British Empire, every one. There's not a single nation in Africa, which is not a branch of the British Empire, a subject of the British Empire. The Saudis do the same thing. Why do you think you get all these wars in this region, of West Asia? Why do you get this? Because that's who runs it, the British Empire.

You take, for example, political parties in Europe. All major nations in Western and Central Europe, again, are controlled by the British Empire. We're controlled by the British Empire. What do you think Wall Street is? Wall Street is *entirely* a British institution. And the

Saudis, with the BAE, particularly, if you understand what the BAE is, and that the BAE is actually the author of 9/11, because it's a part of the Saudi operations which ran 9/11, and are running it now.

These are the kinds of things we have to understand, and we have to deal with.

So I say, get rid of Obama. Just throw him out of office. There's no way he's going to be useful to humanity. Now, you've got a Republican administration, but we don't have to look at it that way. We're looking for an election of individuals, who may be members of parties. But that party thing should be put behind the doors, someplace else.

And the question is, what can we do to restore the United States, to restore our economy, to get a big chunk of the 27 million people who are desperately unemployed, and promise them, and give them jobs and other kinds of conditions, of education and so forth, which will enable them to come to the objectives of our nation? Forget the objectives of the parties. Take the objectives of the nation. Take the objectives of other nations. Take the importance of work with other nations.

A High-Technology Future

We have entered now into a world of thermonuclear warfare, thermonuclear capabilities. That's never going to disappear. Because thermonuclear technology is not the danger. You need thermonuclear technology for reasons I can indicate to you today, and I shall, briefly. We must deal with the threats from satellites floating in space. These satellites have the potential of causing the

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extinction of the human species. That doesn't mean we expect it to happen immediately, but we know that these rocks are swarming out there, in unknown numbers, between Mars orbit and Earth orbit. And they hit the United States sometimes, in small drips, a little shock here and there, a small piece survives through the atmosphere and hits the Earth actually. Once in a while you get something bigger, and you could get a rock, say, that could knock out the whole San Francisco Bay area in one stroke, or the New York City area, in one stroke. Or you get bigger ones, more calamitous; and then you can get a really big one, which has happened on this planet, Earth, where a big rock, a big satellite has hit the Earth, and there's a general extinction of life as we know it on the planet.

So therefore, we can not ignore these things, and we have to deal with them. That's one of the things. So we have to develop the power to deal with these challenges, which is needed to create the conditions of life for our human species.

We've got to look beyond that, but I think that's enough to emphasize at this point. You have two options, and thermonuclear technology defines it. On the one hand, the equivalent of thermonuclear technology, is the way on which we on Earth can reach to places like Mars, and maintain development in nearby space. Not only that development, it's only by the aid of such resources that we can actually defend Earth against what would otherwise be inevitable, which would be satellites hitting, asteroids hitting Earth itself and causing more or less extinction among human beings.

So therefore, we have missions with high technology, in terms of power for mankind to do things that mankind can not do yet, the power to defend mankind against dangers which exist out there between such places as the Mars orbit and the Venus orbit, actually, or some great comet that comes in and we don't know we can stop it in as near a time as a year. And if one of those comets hits Earth, the calculations have been and continue to be, it would be the extinction of life on Earth, or human life on Earth.

So therefore, we have real missions which involve the highest degree of technology. Also, contrary to the environmentalist movement—which is a movement toward death organized by the British, largely—it won't work, except to kill people. Because the evolution of processes in our part of space, is such that we have to constantly change the conditions of life of men, because the Solar System is changing. We can not rely on a fixed kind of organization of a Solar System. It's going to change. It is changing, it will change, and therefore, we have to develop the more advanced technologies which meet human needs, and meet the needs to counter these changes.

And therefore, we do need thermonuclear technol-

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ogy; but we know we can not use thermonuclear technology ever again for the threat of war. Nor can we tolerate, systems of government which allow this to happen, systems of government which are based on party systems. Party systems can not be the basis for government. We've seen all the wars, in the recent period, all the wars in known periods of history, have been wars which are strewn around by party loyalties or partisanism.

And when you think about it, just look at the newspapers or hear the debates on television or whatever, and realize that you're hearing the voice of an idiot, in practically every political party debate you hear. They're not thinking about reality. They're thinking about baseball, they're thinking about basketball. They're thinking about other kinds of *false realities*, and they're voting for their team. And what they want, is their party's team to win! And they don't give a damn what else happens!

And then you have people around them who are suckers, for this game, and the people around them, will—well, say, go along with it. They receive it as *entertainment*. What they're receiving is, they're becoming *jerks*.

Dialogue with LaRouche

Leandra Bernstein: On the subject of the election, we have a remark that came in from Professor of Constitutional Law Francis Boyle, and he made the remark after seeing the outcome of the first Presidential debate, saying that if the people controlling Obama believe that the only way he can win the election is to bomb someone, well, they have several targets to choose from, be it Syria, Iran, Hezbollah, etc. He points out that the *USS Stennis* has now arrived in the Persian Gulf, in a three aircraft-carrier strike force. And very soon, the United States and Israel will begin massive military maneuvers, that could easily go "hot." And he says, this is potentially why they've scheduled for this time period.

After the debate with Romney, it could very well be the case that Obama and his backers believe the only way to win the election is for such a strike to occur. And as you've pointed out, and as many others have pointed out, including the Republican Party, the potentiality for an outbreak on the border of Syria and Turkey is immense, as the shellings continue, as the questions go unanswered as to where the weaponry is coming from.

So I'd like you to address, what exactly the potentiality of this kind of electoral stunt?

Obama Is a British Puppet

LaRouche: Well, if Obama is clearly seen as being defeated, between now and the relevant date of next month, then I think the risk is less. Because, obviously, the Republican Party does have representation which is influential in the whole system. And you have people in the nominally Democratic part of the system who want nothing of this sort of thing. And so, essentially, you've got to look at a bipartisan situation, and look at who is top dog in the bipartisan arrangement, and that's where this kind of thing generally tends to tilt.

And remember that Obama is not a brained individual. He is a British puppet. And as I have said repeatedly since 2009, my study of this guy is that he is a carbon copy of the Emperor Nero, and anyone who has really understood the history of the Emperor Nero in the Roman context, will recognize exactly the points that I looked at, which caused me to draw the conclusion that he was a personality of that type.

Obviously, Obama was selected. Obama did not earn any Presidential position on his own initiative. That never happened. He earned the position by being



U.S. Navy/Mass Communication Specialist Ron Reeves The first question, from Prof. Francis Boyle, referenced the buildup in the Persian Gulf, for maneuvers "that could easily go 'hot.'" Shown: a Seahawk helicopter hovers above the Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS Stennis in the Arabian Sea.

selected to do it, and he was selected as a *puppet*, a trained, controllable puppet.

Now, you look around you, and say, "Why could somebody come up and want to create a puppet of a new modern Nero, a stupid jerk, a babbling one? Why should they want to do that?" Well, the British Empire could. How does that come out?

First of all, if you are observant, you know that the British Queen controls Obama, totally. She created him, she controls him, she has her man Tony Blair sitting in Chicago making sure that the Obama machine is in conformity, and that they control money. They also have British money, which comes from some places in Britain, where it's basically drug money.

Without international drug money, you could not have an Obama! How do you think Obama got the vote to get the nomination to begin with? The flood of drug money! What do you think this thing about the border crossing of the drug dealers—and it's not just Arizona, it's Texas, or Tex-ass!—it's also California. How much do you think the drug lobby is inside the United States?

What about Wall Street? Wall Street has not actually paid back anybody for a long, long time. Wall Street has gambled by increasing the amount of money without buying anything! That's a fact. Why do you think the British are in a state of hyperinflation? They're about to blow up because of hyperinflation. All of Europe, Western and Central Europe, is in a state of hyperinflation.

We're at the point where the crash could come, and it's a terminal crash, at any time.

We have throughout the system the same thing: The United States is in a hyperinflationary situation. If we don't put through Glass-Steagall immediately, there's no chance of the continued survival of the United States as an entity. Because the rate of hyperinflation which is shared between a Europe-dominated situation and a U.S. situation, the hyperinflation is so high, there's no possibility for a recovery—unless you bankrupt much of the hyperinflationary inflation. In other words, you've got to close this thing down! You've got to have Glass-Steagall right now.



The dumbest thing Bill Clinton ever did, was to repeal the Glass-Steagall Act. It's revocation "has been the basis for the ruin of the United States," LaRouche said. Here, President Clinton signs the death warrant for the Act in 1999.

And one of Bill Clinton's errors, was he supported the cancellation of Glass-Steagall, which was the dumbest thing he ever did. Maybe it was done because he was being blackmailed at that time. But, the destruction of Glass-Steagall has been the basis for the ruin of the United States.

And that was done before Bush #2 was put in! But without that, Bush #2 could not have gained the Presidency, because Wall Street paid out big money to make sure that the Bush Administration—I mean the dumbest man in the Bush family, or probably in the whole state of Texas. And they elect him President? He can't even read a children's book! And when 9/11 was pulled off, and they all know what's going on, the Bush family and so forth, know this, clearly, they ship him around the country, not to protect his butt, but to divert him, to keep him out of the way! The dumbest man who ever walked into the White House. Of course, he had taken the drugs to accomplish that status.

So, the situation is that if you have a political process which is free of the party system corruption, and looking at reality, this couldn't happen. Because, think what would happen. You have General Dempsey and his crew, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and they reflect not only the Joint Chiefs of Staff, they reflect the most talented, most thinking, shall we say, of the U.S. military command. Do you think, that if their voices were heard, by the Senators and the members of Congress, as foremost, do you think they would take the risk they're taking

now, when he is trying to prevent them from doing that?

We're not paying attention to our own competent representatives. We're listening to Wall Street, we're listening to London! We have people who are our worst enemies in key positions, in effect, in government.

So the issue here is, you've got to throw Obama out of office. Throw him out! And there are various ways to do that—throw him out. Now, the problem you've got left over is the Republican and Democratic Party are still based on football games or baseball games, or things like that. They're still based on this kind of rivalry. They don't care about the reality! They have a *sports* inclination!

And you want to look at the Roman Empire? Including that of Obama, otherwise known as the Emperor Nero? And what did they do? They had giant games. And the parties voted on the basis of the *games*, in the Colosseum. And these mad killings and political games that were played in the Roman imperial system were based on games, not on reality. By gambling, not reality; by all kinds of entertainment, not reality.

And we have an approximation of that coming through the British, and the British influence in Europe—what do you have? You have this crazy oligarchical system, this monarchical system, the feudal system: And you see how they meet, it's like a clown show. The number one is the British, the British royal family is now the top dog. All the other, medium-size and little oligarchies of the royal type, the Duke This

and Duke That and Whatnot, they're all that. And they play the game. They make a class difference between the people in general, and their little oligarchical system.

So it's the same thing. In the United States, you have a Wall Street system, and Wall Street is the enemy of the United States from the inside, the chief enemy. So therefore, they play games, market games. What's Wall Street? What's Bernanke doing? Bernanke is playing games; he's not doing anything for the economy. The guy's a complete faker, he should have been thrown out of office a long time ago.

The best thing we can do right now, is enact Glass-Steagall immediately, because if you enact Glass-Steagall, we're out of the mess. We now have our own country back again.

Destroy the games. Look at the history of gambling, in the United States in the postwar period. Look at it since the time of the Kennedy assassination: Gambling has increased, more and more of the country has engaged in gambling, but it has an effect on their minds. If you believe in luck on gambling, you're not sane. You have a factor of insanity in your mental life. And that's our problem.

Drug Money Funds Obama

Jason Ross: I wanted to ask you about the financing of Obama's election: According to the Federal Election Commission, Obama's reelection campaign raised \$180 million in September, far more than Romney's campaign. Of that money, 98% came in amounts below \$200, which means that about 1 to 1.5 million people must have all, during that month, contributed to the Obama campaign. Seems hard to believe, given his slipping in the polls.

The importance of this, is that such contributions, under \$200, aren't reported. Unless the FEC audits the campaign, there's no reporting of this, and the FEC won't audit the campaign, because Obama's not getting matching funds.

Now, the Government Accountability Institute, a nonpartisan group, just published a report showing that Obama's campaign has failed to have even the most basic safeguards against credit card fraud: verifying the card, verifying the address of the person supposedly giving the contribution. Which means that by creating many, many credit card numbers, or using prepaid cards purchased by other means, a lot of money could be funneled into the Obama campaign.

In particular, with Obama, one "bundler," Robert Roche, who has companies based in the Cayman Islands and the British Virgin Islands, and resides in China, has created a website—to which most of the visitors are foreign—that solicits contributions for Obama; which is illegal, for non-citizens to give such contributions.

Now, you had said in the past, and just now, that in 2008, the Obama campaign was heavily financed through illicit means, offshore funds, drug money; you mentioned George Soros. What could you say, if you'd like to say more, about the fraud of the financing of the Obama campaign then and now, and what that means for us with the election coming up?

LaRouche: There's one particular source, in the main; it has many varieties, but it has one denomination: *drug-dealers*. This operation is technically known, by anybody who's looked at this financing business of these under-\$200 contributions: Organized crime, the gambling industry, piles up a lot of gambling money. That's part of their operation, that's how they get their money, is through this gambling racket, and the drug rackets. *Drugs and gambling are the main source of the strength for the Obama campaign*.

This was first notable, when Hillary Clinton was defeated in the final step of her nomination to become the Presidential candidate.

These guys are also killers, they're murderers. The Obama machine is a pack of murderers. So political people, and people of consequence, shall we say, are very vulnerable, because they're conspicuous persons to become targets. And killing one of them, in an especially nasty way, an atrocious way, and sort of rubbing it in the faces of their relatives and friends, the way it's done—just like Kennedy was murdered.

They wanted to get rid of Kennedy because they wanted to have a war, a war in Indo-China. And Kennedy, with the support of Douglas MacArthur, said no. So, they killed Kennedy, and the next thing you know, we're in the war that Kennedy had absolutely opposed. And we never recovered from that.

So the point is, this factor, the oligarchical factor, of circles of people who consider themselves under the British monarch, that is, in the pecking order, that they say, "The Queen of England is the world's power." *And that's true*. But the power does not come because she has power inside her. She has it because her position is such, and there's a congregation of people who have a share in that kind of ability. Therefore, they become a ruling *oligarchy* of the world. That's what you're look-



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It's virtually impossible, LaRouche stated, based on reports on the way that the Obama contributions have been collected, "that that happened... through drug and gambling operations, and mostly from overseas." Here, Obama campaigns in Virigina for a Democratic candidate.

ing at. You have an oligarchy, and the chief oligarch, until they kill him, or her, is respected as being the highest power in the system. And this power is what controls most of the world today.

And the drug operation is part of it.

But on the statistical reports on the way that the Obama contributions have been collected, say, in the month of September, it's impossible that that happened, *except* through drug and gambling operations, and mostly from overseas. And you look at the way these things are structured: Could they be caught this way? Could they be caught that way? Neither way. The way the thing is done, as long as they stick under that \$200, that \$190 ratio, *they can do it all day long, and not have any legitimate contributors.* And run up the biggest aggregation of money support for the campaign.

Wall Street: Hedging Their Bets

Bernstein: While we're on the subject, I have a question for you about Wall Street, and since we're trying to reinvigorate the democratic process, through arguments in order to arrive more at the truth, I'd like to raise your three-point proposal: the proposal for Glass-Steagall, national banking/credit system, and major productive projects like NAWAPA XXI.

Now, there's nothing really more bipartisan in this country right now, than Wall Street, and you even have bipartisan support and proposals coming from top CEOs, like Jamie Dimon and Lloyd Blankfein, who are apparently trying to hedge their bets in a close Presidential race, and hoping to realize the program implicit in the Simpson-Bowles Commission, which makes the European austerity look light.

So, you have that bipartisan proposal, and you have the people whom LaRouchePAC organizers are speaking to, especially on Capitol Hill, and they will profess their support for Glass-Steagall. And they profess it all day long. But, I'm not sure, in getting into discussions, whether they fully comprehend the credit system.

So, for example, since 2007, 460 banks have gone down, and a lot of them have been community banks, who would make the loans to small-time agriculture, small-time business

in inner cities, that sort of thing, and that's where the credit came from. And that credit is, on the one hand, no longer available, and those institutions are, at the same time, no longer in existence. So where do you go to get credit? Where do you go, if you're in small business, if you're a start-up, where do you get the credit? Are you going to go to your local Federal Reserve Bank and ask for a loan?

So, that being said, you've talked about Glass-Steagall, about eliminating Wall Street. But when going to Wall Street, and a company selling their debt on the free market is the only way that people see to get credit—you're going to have to explain to people, because that's the line of thinking: The only way to get money, the only way to get credit is, via Wall Street. So, I'd love to hear your response.

LaRouche: And you shall hear it: Your wish shall be rewarded.

No, it's very simple: We have to set up a credit system, rather than a monetarist system. That means that no longer will the monetarist system issue money, in the name of a political institution, outside of government. Take the case now: All the debt of the banking system out there, now, nominal, has no benefit to the economy. That benefit is less than zero. And first of all, the system is run to bankrupt the institutions that were a legitimate banking system, *to loot them*, and put them out of business.

So, now you have a credit-creating machine, like the Wall Street machine or similar things in Europe. And they're gambling machines. All they are is gambling. Now, you say, "This is going to destroy the economy." Yes. You're going to destroy the physical economy.

Here's where the dirty part comes in: What's the game? The British Queen has told you what the game is.

It's very simple: We have to set up a credit system, rather than a monetarist system. That means that no longer will the monetarist system issue money in the name of a political institution, outside of government.

You just choose to ignore that game, that factor. Because her intention is, as she has said publicly—not just herself, but her whole retinue, the whole organization, the British part, which means also European and some here—that this whole crowd has agreed to reduce the human population from 7 billion living people, to less than 1.

Now, how do you do that? Well, there are ways of doing it; you can just go out kill people, but that's messy and sloppy, it's not efficient. It's not the meatgrinder type of thing you want.

All you have to do, is take the banking system, grab the things that have assets in them, loot them, and shut them down. And then your system builds up—a sort of a system of building up gambling debts, pure speculation. And now, this speculation, which is run by Bernanke, for example, in the United States. Bernanke is the chief thief of the United States; he's the one that bankrupts the most people. He says, "QE" [quantitative easing]. Again, well, what does this buy, what's real about QE? *Nothing*. Nothing. It's listed money, but it's nothing. There's nothing there. There's no reality there.

So you shut down real production, disemploy people, and you pile up debt, a vast amount. The hyperinflationary debt, the ratio of hyperinflationary debt in the United States today, makes 1923 Germany look like an inconvenience.

So what you have to do, is you have to get rid of these people. Now, there are two layers to getting of these people: First of all, you want to eliminate the allowance for that: Glass-Steagall. Just impose Glass-Steagall. And they'll come out and say, "But, we have money coming

to us." "You don't have anything coming to you. You have your own private banking system, don't you? If you have a debt to cover, you own the banking system, don't you? It's yours, isn't it? It's not the government's. We don't own it, we don't take anything from it.

"We go back to what happened in Massachusetts in, guess when? In the 17th Century: We go back to the Massachusetts pinetree shilling system." Which is, that money is not, itself, the value. Credit is the value. And what you give credit *for*, is the value, like the Saugus Iron Works. The Saugus Iron Works was exactly that form: It was the first steel-making operation in the United States, and it was funded in that way.

So the system that was used in Massachusetts at that time, before it got crushed by the British, was that system. But the problem here, today, is this: If we close down the gambling, that means that we're going to actually throw out, just bankrupt, most of these firms, because when you put them under Glass-Steagall, they no longer have Federal protection for their gambling. If they can survive, they can survive *outside* the government system, outside the credit system: If they can run a private bank, and run it legitimately without committing any other crimes, and they could carefully select their investments, and these investments would be profitable, in those terms, it would be no problem. That's what Glass-Steagall amounts to.

Glass-Steagall means that people who actually earn their income honestly, can do it. They have to have the skill as well as the commitment. But, as for the average person, the small banks, the local banks, these people are holding in trust money of depositors and other kinds of investors, and they're holding that in trust on the assumption that they will be protected by following the rules. And the Federal government will occasionally help them, by giving more credit in certain areas, or promoting more investments in certain areas, which will help this area to build up, in a normal way, by being more productive.

Do the Opposite of What Bernanke Is Doing

But beyond all these reforms, which have been considered and are used, the fundamental thing is, that *money has no intrinsic value*. Money is an instrument of investment, but the investment comes from a *real* commitment to a real credit, a physical credit, or the equivalent. And the banker, the ordinary competent banker, the private banker working within the Federal systems and its auxiliaries and tangents, is able to calculate whether

this is a good investment. In other words, on the terms of the investment, the terms of the loan: Is that loan going to be good, or probably good, with help and guidance from the bank and others? Is it going to succeed in being able to pay its way, and grow?

Now, the problem we have now, is that we're so bankrupt, that we now really have to have a massive program of credit supplied by the Federal government, especially for that reason. In other words, the exact opposite of what Bernanke is doing. Bernanke should be imprisoned, imprisoned because he's got a bad mind—that's a general category for imprisoning him, he has a very bad mind; he doesn't know how to think properly; he shouldn't be allowed running on the streets, or even in his little entrance place there.

So the point is, we're going to have get away from a money system to a credit system. That's the foundation on which the United States was founded.

Now, think about Massachusetts: If you don't understand the history of Massachusetts, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you don't know anything about money. Because they understood what that was. And what they did is they created a pine tree shilling, which is based on private credit, organized by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, private credit was organized under that kind of protection and coordination, to get people to work together, like the Saugus Iron Works, is an example of exactly this: The Boston area was actually more productive, scientifically, more advanced scientifically, than the whole blasted British Empire, at that time. And what happened, in the case of Massachusetts, is the British Empire, William of Orange and company, which was the new, second [Venetian empire] revolution, came in and disrupted that, and then drove the citizens of Massachusetts into two categories: corrupt bankers, and people. And poverty, and ruin, and corruption spread. And you had the Boston banking system, and the New York banking system, which were centers of corruption in that period. And still are. So, that's the system.

So, the point is, if we go to what I proposed, the three steps, that is all you need to do, plus one thing: The Federal government is going to have to cancel any obligation to these fake debts. Once we cut them loose with Glass-Steagall, if they can survive on their own, as what they pretend to be, fine. No objection. If they are



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Bernanke's hyperinflationary policy threatens to finish off what's left of the U.S. economy. "He doesn't know how to think properly; he shouldn't be allowed to be running on the streets," much less running the Fed, LaRouche observed.

just gambling dens, money gambling dens, and not actually investing in order to increase productivity, then, no, they're on their own. And they will pay their debts, and if they own a lot of money, they're going to have to do something about that.

So, in any case, we need to go to a credit system, get rid of the monetarist system, which is a British system, based on the system of the Roman Empire and similar kinds of institutions, brought into the United States by force, in crushing the Massachusetts Bay Colony. That's the way it was done.

Benjamin Franklin then went with the idea of the paper money system, which was a credit system, and then the actual Constitution of the United States was based on a credit system. So we have to go back to our *constitutional foundations*, which is, if you read the Constitution, a credit-system system. So going to Glass-Steagall is simply bringing in a credit system, a national credit system. Then, the U.S. government, on its own, will decide what, in good judgment, they can provide, as credit, for investment in increasing production, and other good purposes.

So therefore, you have to go to national banking. And once you get into national banking, on that level, you now can restore, quickly, with a single reform—with a single reform—by the U.S. government, we could restore solidity to the prospects of the United

States. By establishing the credit system which is implicit in the Constitution, on that simple reform by itself, we would have taken the *first giant step*, toward a sudden, rapid, and *acceleratingly rapid* recovery of the United States.

And the key thing is NAWAPA is a typical case of that: NAWAPA is a project which, with the water system in the conditions in the West, and the water conditions of the nation, we could increase the water available in the United States through NAWAPA by a very significant ratio. Which means we would solve terrible problems that are hitting us today. We would save food supplies. Even starting the project would mean steps which would tend toward increasing food supplies, because you recycle the water. If you evaporate the water, and you let it fall as rain, and you evaporate it again, let it fall as rain, finally, you've multiplied the actual effectiveness of the water, but you're using

the same water, over and over again, in the same territory. And therefore, you actually have the effect of, say, 1.7 times the water you had before.

And therefore, we can restore the United States, rapidly, by going at certain large projects of this type, which become both the center of the buildup of the economy, as such, and they then become the means of supporting the reforms which the buildup is intended to accomplish. In other words—we will create, with NAWAPA, 14 million jobs. At first, they won't be much, but as people develop in carrying out these projects, it'll increase.

If we take another thing, say, the old Detroit area, the "you can make anything, any time industry," we do the same thing. So, you've got 16-17 million new jobs.

Now, what do we have now? We have right now, a desperate lack of 27 million jobs. So, with such a reform, you immediately create the *impetus* for a recovery.

And you could do the same thing, take the case of China: China now has a crisis, which is developing, an economic crisis, because its markets are collapsing. China now has much of the productive capability, or a complement of it; India has something similar, not the same scale, but something similar, and therefore, the recovery of the United States in this way, would take advantage of the productive capabilities of other countries as well, like China and so forth; and would take



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In order to defend the Earth from asteroids and comets, we will have to build stations on Mars. "Curiosity [shown here in a artist's concept] is an example of the development of successively higher orders of stations which can be built on Mars," LaRouche said.

those advantages, and use them and mix them with U.S. interest, and that way, you get a generation of an actual, consistent recovery.

So the recovery can be done by us, from the United States, by making that change in policy.

U.S.-Russia Scientific Collaboration

Ross: Yesterday, members of the LaRouchePAC had a meeting on Capitol Hill with staffers from several Congressional offices, to discuss our planetary defense proposals. There are some questions that came up during that. I wanted to pose one to you, with some small alteration here.

Now, this is regarding saving the Earth from asteroids, rather than from man, as environmentalists would like to do. In discussion of U.S.-Russian collaboration on projects for asteroid defense, one of the things that came up, was the fact that this involves the most advanced technologies that we have. There was some concern expressed about the wisdom, or how one would go about sharing such technological innovations with Russia, without giving them the upper hand—this is, I think connected also with, I think, a strange position we have with regard to China, where there's a total noncollaboration on space questions with China right now.

So I'd like to ask you: Is there a role, is there a place for secrecy in national security on scientific matters?

And if you have any thoughts on how the discussion around the SDI related to this, about how to successfully share technologies which are potentially very powerful, with other nations?

LaRouche: All right, let's take one, and work backwards from that one. Yes, there is. See, we had reached the point where the available highest level of technology, in terms of military-equivalent technology, is now thermonuclear fusion. Thermonuclear fusion, we want to have within, say, a generation; you want to have thermonuclear fusion operating as a system of transport of people from the Moon, which we should be building up as a base for that kind of operation. We should have, actually, major manufacturing going on on the Moon, because when you try to lift from the Earth to the Moon, you lose a lot. So therefore, it's much better to put some of these stations in deep holes, in tunnels, inside the Moon. On the top, they get a lot of asteroids, small asteroids hitting all the time there.

But, for large-scale operations in nearby space, such as Mars, we will obviously be using the Moon as a base for developing much of the production that has to go for the exploration and development of nearby areas such as Mars. This will probably, at best estimate, take us a generation from that point, developing thermonuclear fusion as a driver for transport among other things; which means we could probably get, with the proper conception, we could probably get from the Moon base to Mars in one week, with an acceleration/deceleration process. And that would change everything.

The importance of dealing with asteroids and the threat of comets—a comet could be the extinction of humanity, so therefore, these kinds of things are high priority, and by being high priority, they spin off, from those technologies, they spin off many applications which are otherwise impossible. These things are what we call "capital improvements," real capital technology improvements.

So our objective is to go in that direction. We know that Earth is very vulnerable. We know that the risks from comets and asteroids is a very dangerous business. Dr. Edward Teller, for example, who spent much of the remaining years of his life, in concern from the end of the 1970s on, on just exactly this question. So, it's important we do that.

In order to do this, we're going to have to build stations on Mars, which we can begin to do now. Curiosity is an example of the development of successively higher orders of stations which can be built on Mars. These stations will enable us to deal with, and develop the methods for dealing with the intelligence and other kinds of things necessary, for our operations inside the Solar System. I don't think we'll be able to go to Jupiter very soon; it's very tough place to go, by Jove!

So therefore, what we can do now, is science-driver programs, which will change the character of human existence on Earth and beyond; that mankind has a potentiality beyond anything that mankind generally knows today. And our objective is to reach that point, where more and more of our population is suitably edu-

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cated to understand what these technologies are: We have a very poor education of our citizens today, relative to earlier times. People today are relatively stupid, in terms of their level of education, compared to some years ago. And the number of people who are competent is less.

And the result is, in universities, and in work places which are called "scientific," you have incompetence. Real incompetence. A cultish kind of incompetence is operating, and people are just getting jobs and positions, not on the basis of merit, but on the basis of wanting to have that category of job. Much of the Green stuff is absolutely incompetent, it's absolutely fraudulent, for example.

So, the issue is, we can not any more tolerate the idea of using thermonuclear fusion or related things as a weapon of warfare. *That* can not be tolerated, *ever*. There's no way that mankind could survive it. So it can't be tolerated.

But. Great power. I mean, after all, the Sun is a great power, among other things, and other things in the Solar System are great powers; by using this technology, we can actually cause, within two or three generations, a revolution in what man represents in terms of the uni-

verse. And it's what we should do. It's only the crazy, misguided egos that want to do anything different. What do they want to do that for? For what purpose?

Human Morality; Human Creativity

Human morality is what's at stake here. The flaw in human morality today is the way that people think about death, human death. Because what they think about is, "Well, I'm going to die, or he's going to die, and then that's over." But if you take a society which is really human, which is based constantly on advances in what we call technology, scientific technology, not just technology, mankind's requirement is what makes them feel human, is if the children and grandchildren of a generation have the sense that they are participating in improving the conditions of life of humanity, not only on Earth but in the Solar System, down the line, then they have a different sense of morality. Because, if you have a zero-growth society, what happens is, every person who has a child is essentially dead, because nothing is going to be produced by them, which will make a difference in the universe.

And what happens in scientific growth and progress of this type, is that we change that. Instead of having poor people, who are treated like animals, who live and just die, and the next specimen of that generation is just wiped out in its time, too, *what's the meaning of life, then?*

The difference is, the human being has the capability of creativity, of discovering principles in the universe which can change the way the universe functions around us, and beyond. And if we think that we may die, but our children will be doing things that we weren't capable of, as a species; and our grandchildren similarly, if we see that life is not *crushed* in death, but the meaning of life is expressed in the achievements of later generations beyond the present one, that's when humanity understands itself as humanity. And immorality, in the history of mankind, is not based on zero growth, because man would be reduced to the category of a mere animal.

Only the creative powers of mankind, which no other known species possesses—if there is any species that possesses that, we don't know about it, and we haven't seen any manifestation of it; and we're not seeing much manifestation of it from people right now. The reason that you get despair and corruption in society, is because people think that when you die, *it's all over, and it didn't mean anything, at all.*

Whereas, if you have real human beings, who know they're human, and know what it is, their concern is,

they want their life to have been useful, in advancing the condition of mankind, knowing that they died with fulfillment of purpose. Not just their selfish little greed or lack of greed. And this conception of man, which is essential to mankind—without that, mankind could not deal with the future.

We're coming into the time, when the powers that we require for the needs of mankind, as the landings on Mars show, we're reaching powers way beyond the imagination of earlier generations. And that is good. But we're not doing it fast enough, and that is unfortunate.

But you have to have a sense, the person has to sense that their personal life, while it survives, is building something permanent, in what happens in coming generations. And you find the best people used to think that way. Just think about the people who came to the United States from Europe during the 19th Century: What did they do? They came, poor. They came to New York City poor, dirt poor. Off the boat. And then, their children, at least in a certain ratio, would rise to a higher position, higher skill, a higher power. They would tend to think in terms of scientific programs, or scientific modes of achievement. They would think about progress; they would think about what their children are going to be. They would think seriously about their children having a life which means, "You are going to do what we couldn't do."

And it's only when you get the "you're going to do what we couldn't do": That's morality. And if you don't have that, you don't have any morality. If you have a zero growth or a Green conception, you don't have morality. You may be alive, you may have satisfaction from some things you eat or chew upon, or spit on, but, you don't have anything human in you. Because you don't have the thing that separates the human being from the animal: the determination to contribute something *in* your life, which contributes to the advancement of mankind in the next and coming generations.

And that's where the problem is with us, today, that we, in the United States, have more and more lost the degree of that sense of what the meaning of the future is, that we once had before. We have corruption, we have entertainment—not creativity. We're producing monsters. Look at the children on the street, with this system, with 27 million adults, qualified adults, unemployed and living in desperation: What kind of a future are you building? What kind of a future is this government building? What does Obama represent?

Get that guy out of there, now!

Founding Fathers Warn Vs. Political Parties

From President George Washington's Farewell Address of September 1796:

...I have already intimated to you the danger of parties in the State, with particular reference to the founding of them on geographical discriminations. Let me now take a more comprehensive view, and warn you in the most solemn manner against the baneful effects of the spirit of party generally.

This spirit, unfortunately, is inseparable from our nature, having its root in the strongest passions of the human mind. It exists under different shapes in all governments, more or less stifled, controlled, or repressed; but, in those of the popular form, it is seen in its greatest rankness, and is truly their worst enemy.

The alternate domination of one faction over another, sharpened by the spirit of revenge, natural to party dissension, which in different ages and countries has perpetrated the most horrid enormities, is itself a frightful despotism. But this leads at length to a more formal and permanent despotism. The disorders and miseries which result gradually incline the minds of men to seek security and repose in the absolute power of an individual; and sooner or later the chief of some prevailing faction, more able or more fortunate than his competitors, turns this disposition to the purposes of his own elevation, on the ruins of public liberty.

Without looking forward to an extremity of this kind (which nevertheless ought not to be entirely out of sight), the common and continual mischiefs of the spirit of party are sufficient to make it the interest and duty of a wise people to discourage and restrain it.

It serves always to distract the public councils and enfeeble the public administration. It agitates the community with ill-founded jealousies and false alarms, kindles the animosity of one part against another, foments occasionally riot and insurrection. It opens the door to foreign influence and corruption, which finds a facilitated access to the government itself through the channels of party passions. Thus the policy and the will of one country are subjected to the policy and will of another.

There is an opinion that parties in free countries are useful checks upon the administration of the government and serve to keep alive the spirit of liberty. This within certain limits is probably true; and in governments of a monarchical cast, patriotism may look with indulgence, if not with favor, upon the spirit of party. But in those of the popular character, in governments purely elective, it is a spirit not to be encouraged. From their natural tendency, it is certain there will always be enough of that spirit for every salutary purpose. And there being constant danger of excess, the effort ought to be by force of public opinion, to mitigate and assuage it. A fire not to be quenched, it demands a uniform vigilance to prevent its bursting into a flame, lest, instead of warming, it should consume.

An excerpt from Benjamin Franklin's Autobiography:

Observations on my reading history in the library, May 9, 1731.

That the great affairs of the world, the wars and revolutions, are carried on and affected by parties. That the view of these parties is their present general interest, or what they take to be such. That the diffferent views of these different parties occasion all confusion. That while a party is carrying on a general design, each man has his particular private interest in view. That as soon as a party has gained its general point, each member becomes intent upon his particular interest; which, thwarting others, breaks that party into divisions and occasions more confusion. That few in public affairs act from a mere view of the good of their country, whatever they may pretend; and though their actings bring real good to their country, yet men primarily considered that their own and their country's interest were united, and so did not act from a principle of benevolence. That fewer still in public affairs act with a view to the good of mankind.

There seems to me at present to be occasion for raising a united party for virtue, by forming the virtuous and good men of all nations into a regular body, to be governed by suitable good and wise rules, which good and wise men may probably be more unanimous in their obedience to than common people are to common laws.

I am presently thinking that whoever attempts this aright and is well qualified cannot fail of pleasing God and of meeting with success.

Editorial

On the Brink of Nuclear War, Again?

Fifty years ago this week, the world stood at the brink of a nuclear conflagration, as the result of a standoff between the United States and the Soviet Union, known today as the Cuban Missile Crisis. Fortunately for all mankind, a truly good President, John F. Kennedy, was determined to avoid the worst, and the immediate crisis was resolved peacefully.

Yet today, mankind again faces the imminent danger of thermonuclear war, this time pushed by the British-spawned confrontational policies of a U.S. President, Barack Obama. How could this have happened? And what can we do?

Had the British not assassinated President Kennedy, and gotten away without the blame, the present crisis could have been avoided. JFK's perspective of space exploration, massive infrastructure development, industrialization of the Third World, and international collaboration for all forms of progress promised not only the United States, but the world, an era of unprecedented peace and prosperity—the only true basis for avoiding war.

Instead, Kennedy's policies, which echoed those of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, were killed—along with the tens of thousands of Americans, and hundreds of thousands of Vietnamese in a long land-war in Asia. A policy of zero growth, and nuclear superpower crisis management, was ushered in, directed by the geopolitical and genocidal ideology of the British Empire. With it, lawfully, came the seemingly endless series of wars.

Today we have reached an apparent end-game in this process. President Obama has fully embraced those British policies, directly the opposite of President Kennedy—and they are leading us toward war. Faced with the threatened collapse of its financial power, the British oligarchy which put

Obama into power is prepared to risk all, even the survival of the planet, to back down Russia and China, in the determination to save its form of rule.

What can we do? Removing Obama from power is clearly the first step, but that is far from enough—especially as there is no individual running for President, and certainly no political party, qualified in any way to take up the Kennedy-FDR legacy. For that, we must assemble a network of patriots committed to implementing a very clear policy of economic recovery, which, crucially, will destroy the financial power of the British empire.

Three steps are necessary:

- 1) Restore Glass-Steagall, cancelling the existing bailouts and protecting the necessary commercial banking functions. This policy, which will cut Wall Street down to size, has already drawn support from individuals from both parties—and it is urgent to prevent a hyperinflationary disaster now.
- 2) Return to National Banking, funding the recovery by re-establishing the Constitutional system of Federal credit, as defined by Alexander Hamilton's concept of advancing the productive powers of labor.
- 3) Build NAWAPA XXI and related great projects, employing millions of skilled, productive workers, and restoring the sense of mission which the nation has lost since the assassination of John Kennedy.

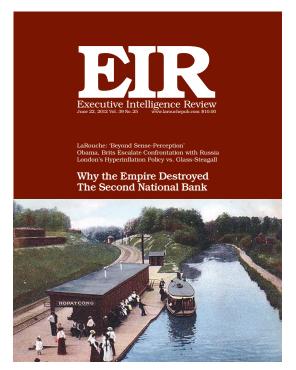
Only by means of these three steps, initiated by a post-Obama non-partisan Presidency, can the United States and the world possibly survive.

One might ask one's self: Is the kind of courage and vision which JFK applied, a vision which mankind's role in space still pays homage to, gone forever? Can we find it in ourselves to bring the world back from the brink?

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