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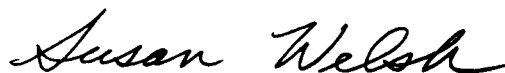
International conferences held by the Schiller Institute in Europe for nearly 30 years now have always been a source of rich inspiration to participants. But the April 13-14 gathering in Germany was a particularly powerful one, to judge by the reflections of those who attended. Reports reaching this side of the Atlantic say that both first-time attendees and “old hands” felt that their idea of what could be done—and what they could do—to reverse the world’s crisis had been transformed. Two ideas stood out: that the economic/cultural breakdown in one’s own country must have an *international* solution; and that the gateway was Lyndon LaRouche’s Glass-Steagall and national-credit policy.

The program alone (see *Strategy*) gives an overview of the breadth and depth of the presentations made, as well as the geographical diversity of the speakers. We begin our coverage this week with the speeches by Lyndon LaRouche and Helga Zepp-LaRouche; future issues will deal with the Strategic Defense of Earth, the fight for Glass-Steagall, energy security for the 21st Century, the future of Eurasian cooperation, and a renaissance of Classical culture.

Lyndon LaRouche’s *Feature* article, on the subject of natural law, poses the startling thesis that “the apparent principle for what might be defined as a body of ‘knowable law,’ in any meaningful sense,” is to be located in the evolution of the stars, of life, and in “the noetic expression of the qualities and powers *uniquely specific* to human life.” And that, you see, is what lies behind the article’s headline: “Why Her Britannic Majesty Is Illegal!” To unravel this perhaps puzzling assertion, read on.

In *National*, we have exclusive reports on the organizing for Glass-Steagall, as well as opposition to President Obama’s economic and military policies from within the United States. An accompanying article documents Obama’s lies about drone warfare.

The *International* section highlights the danger of world war. We also cover what’s behind India’s sovereign decision to prevent pharmaceutical companies from claiming phony patents—patents that keep the cost of life-saving drugs out of reach for most Indians. And an unusual contribution from our Copenhagen bureau concerns Hans Christian Andersen’s collaboration with Hans Christian Ørsted—the confluence of poetry and science, for the enrichment of both.



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Schiller Conference Pledges To Fight for Glass-Steagall

by Nancy Spannaus

April 16—A two-day conference of the Schiller Institute, held in Frankfurt, Germany April 13-14, brought together over 300 people from every continent on the globe, to discuss the urgent necessity of creating a New Paradigm for Civilization, based on a radical shift in economic, strategic, and cultural policy. After intense presentations and dialogue, led by Schiller Institute founder Helga Zepp-LaRouche, the participants pledged themselves to taking up the international fight to reinstate the FDR Glass-Steagall law, by adopting the following resolution:

“We, gathered here in Frankfurt, Germany, representing countries from all continents, give our full support to the immediate voting up of a Glass-Steagall Act in the United States, both in the House of Representatives and the Senate, in line with the Marcy Kaptur-Walter Jones ‘Return to Prudent Banking Act’ HR 129.

“We are all convinced that it is a matter of life or death, and that it is only a Glass-Steagall Act in the United States that can stop the genocidal policies of the world-monetarist system, and that it is the necessary weapon to break the chains of the British Empire. To say it in one word: It is either Glass-Steagall, or chaos and genocide.

“We, in our respective countries, are therefore committed to lead that fight for a Glass-Steagall principle, both in the United States and within each of our nations.

Glass-Steagall is only the first step. We must also replace the present monetary system with a public credit system in the tradition of Alexander Hamilton, based on national banking, in order to finance the reconstruction of the world economy. If mankind is to have a future, we must end the present policies of conflict resolution through war, and agree on the common aims of mankind, such as overcoming poverty on Earth, and defending the planet against the very real dangers from outer space through the policies of the Strategic Defense of Earth.

“The immediate implementation of Glass-Steagall, however, is the absolutely irreplaceable mandatory first step, without which none of the other objectives has any chance of realization.

“Our common development is the new name for peace and the only alternative to thermonuclear war.”

A Full Program

The focus of the conference was firmly established by the two keynotes, one by Helga Zepp-LaRouche, and the other by Lyndon LaRouche. Both emphasized not only the nature of the “crisis of extinction” that the world is facing, but the fact that the solution is already on the table. However, the impetus, they stressed, had to come from the United States.

We provide the transcripts of both keynotes here, followed by an outline of the jam-packed program. The

conference audio is already available at www.NewParadigm.SchillerInstitute.org, and the full video recording will soon be accessible both there, and at www.schillerinstitut, which features the content of all the Schiller Institute's New Paradigm conferences.

One of the highlights of this conference, as it was with the others, was the Classical Concert, which featured an extraordinary performance of Mozart's Requiem Mass in D Minor. This is also available in audio on the U.S. Schiller Institute site.

EIR will be featuring the speeches from this groundbreaking event over the next several weeks.

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Helga Zepp-LaRouche

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Alexander Nagorny: *Historian, Deputy Editor of
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The Chinese Dimension of the Strategic USA-
China-Russia Triangle

Kirill Benediktov: *Writer, Editorial Board, Terra
America, Russia*

The Asteroid-Comet Danger and Planetary
Defense: a View from Russia

Jason Ross: *Editor-in-Chief, 21st Century Science &
Technology*

The Physical Profit of Planetary Defense

Bruce Fein: *Former Assistant Attorney General in the
Reagan Administration, USA*
The Foundations of Civilization

PANEL 2: Energy Security for the 21st Century

Prof. Henri Safa: *Nuclear physicist, author and
international expert in energy density, nuclear*

*engineering, and instrumentation; member,
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CEA (Atomic Alternative Energy Commission),
France*

Why Nuclear Energy of the Future Is the Only
Solution To Tackle the World's Growing Energy
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Dr. Eduardo Greaves: *Nuclear physicist, Institut de
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Venezuelan Nuclear Society and the Nuclear
Physics Department of the Simón Bolívar
University, Caracas, Venezuela*

A New Paradigm: Thorium as Nuclear Fuel in the
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Dr. Urban Cleve: *Senior nuclear engineer, Germany*
Breeding of Fissile Uranium-233 by Use of
Thorium-232 with Pebble Fuel Elements in a
THTR Power Station

Dr. Nino Galloni: *Economist, Statutory Auditor of
Istituto Nazionale Previdenza Sociale (INPS);
Advisor, M3 Finanziaria, Italy*
Currency, Credit, and Finance for the Atlantic, the
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Jacques Cheminade: *Founder and leader of the
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A Vision for Europe in Eurasia

Daisuke Kotegawa: *Research Director, Canon
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Lost Two Decades for the EU and the USA?

Dr. Cui Hongjian: *Senior Fellow, Director of
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Studies*
Confucius in China Today

Mikhail Delyagin: *Doctor of Economics, Director,
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The Global Crisis: Why Mankind Needs Russia

Natalia Vitrenko: *Doctor of Economics, leader of the
Progressive Socialist Party of Ukraine*



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The Schiller Institute conference was attended by more than 300 people from all over the world, who unanimously passed a resolution, to be circulated in their respective nations, calling for Glass-Steagall to be adopted in the U.S. and elsewhere, and concluding, “Our common development is the new name for peace and the only alternative to thermonuclear war.” Lyndon LaRouche is shown addressing the conference on April 13.

Eurasian Integration as a Chance for Survival in the Global Economic Crisis

Diane Sare: *LaRouche Policy Committee, candidate for Governor of New Jersey, USA*

The Glass-Steagall Fight in the United States

Rep. Walter Jones: Member, U.S. House of Representatives, North Carolina, USA
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Hussein Askary: *EIR Arabic-Language Editor; Chairman, European Labor Party/EAP, Sweden*

The Persian Gulf of Peace and Construction or Destruction

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Prof. Theodore Katsanevas: *University of Piraeus, Greece*

Abolish the Euro and the Monetarist Malpractices of Casino Capitalism

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Antonella Banaudi: *Opera singer, Italy*

Helga Zepp-LaRouche: *Founder and leader of the International Schiller Institute*

Liliana Gorini: *Chairwoman, Movimento Solidarietà, Italy*

John Sigerson: *Schiller Institute music director, USA*
Aesthetical Education and Beauty

Mankind Is Better than The Oligarchy Can Imagine

Dear friends of the Schiller Institute, distinguished guests from many countries: We are coming here together at the fourth conference of the Schiller Institute within less than five months, because we are determined to inspire a new paradigm in the history of mankind, a paradigm which is reflected in the true identity of the human species, man as a cognitive being whose identity is that of a creative species, where each individual on the planet, in principle, has a limitless potential for self-perfection.

The sense of identity must be governed by that innate creative potential, not only to develop our own creative abilities, all the potential abilities innate in us, but to do so with the explicit desire to contribute one's own life to the further development of the human species as a whole; so that, when our own life comes to an end, since we are all mortal beings, that we can die with the certainty that we have contributed with all our ability to the progress and progression of mankind, to the best of all our possibilities; that we have, with our life, added something to ennoble our species.

And it is with that vision, that in the new paradigm, the relations among human beings will be guided by *agapē*; the relations among nations will be guided by the fact that we are happy about the development of the other nation, and that we understand that harmony, concordance on the planet, and in the future beyond that, is only possible through the development of all human beings and all nations, in a *vice versa* relationship.

Now the future paradigm has

to be guided by love for mankind, by compassion, and joy in the realization of the creative potential of all other individuals. In the same way that we are joyful about the compositions of Beethoven, or the great poems and dramas of Schiller, or the discoveries of Leibniz and Einstein, or the elevated perspective of our astronauts and cosmonauts, when we as human beings relate to each other, as scientists do, discovering a new principle, discussing the hypothesis of how mankind can progress as artists, communicating metaphors about a better future condition of civilization.

This new paradigm must also be guided by a new method of thinking: It is the method which Beethoven has called "*so streng wie frei*," "as rigorous as free." It's Schiller's idea of achieving freedom through necessity, and the only condition in which this is possible is the beautiful soul, according to Schiller—the person who



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Helga Zepp-LaRouche addresses the conference on April 13: "It is only from this positive vision of the future that we will mobilize the moral strength and courageous energy to replace this present paradigm, which is completely based on depravity and evil."

does what is necessary with joy, who finds his freedom in fulfilling necessity, and for whom duty and compassion are the same thing. And as Schiller correctly said, the only individual for whom this is possible, is the creative genius.

Now, this image of man must be the basis of the new paradigm if mankind is to survive. And it is only from this positive vision of the future that we will mobilize the moral strength and courageous energy to replace this present paradigm, which is completely based on depravity and evil.

The Present Road to Catastrophe

Now, with the present paradigm, it is very clear, that we are, as a civilization, on the direct road to a catastrophe. We are now experiencing the full disintegration of the trans-Atlantic financial system: between the quantitative easing, hyperinflation, and quantitative stealing, we see right now the most brutal expropriation scheme, expressed in what the new head of the Eurogroup, Dijsselbloem, called the “Cyprus template,” which means the total destruction of the real economy for the sake of maintaining the life expectancy of the casino economy, for just a few weeks or months. It is combined with a violent attack on the living standards and life-expectancy of the population. It is killing people by the millions!

The second fundamental danger, which is coming from the same source, is the danger of thermonuclear war. Because even if the crisis around the Korean Peninsula can be contained, which people on that peninsula hope very much, if you look at the totality, you have the Syria situation spinning out of control; you have the danger of a strike against Iran; and it could very well be that Southwest Asia develops into the cockpit for World War III. Now, it seems that in light of all of these dangers, which everybody can see, nevertheless, the governments of this world are not doing anything efficient to get the world on a different course. So, it seems that civilization is almost on autopilot toward self-destruction.

In light of this mortal danger, there is almost no public debate about what is really important. The public debates, as they’re raised by governments, politicians,



President Franklin D. Roosevelt after signing the Glass-Steagall Act, 1933.

the media, are completely trivial, in light of what we really are facing. In reality, we have a truly murderous expropriation scheme underway. We are threatened with a new fascism, we are losing democracy, we are losing our constitutions! The trade unions are losing all the labor rights which have been fought for, literally for centuries. We are losing the social welfare state. We are losing all accomplishments of civil and human rights, without there being any public outcry.

It is exactly the process which started, really, with the death of Franklin D. Roosevelt, and which was basically a fight, where the oligarchy was determined to eliminate the axioms which had made Franklin D. Roosevelt possible. And I must say that I’m very happy that Lyn is here, because, if you reflect over the last 40 or even 50 years, or in Lyn’s case even longer, he has been the one individual who has pointed to each change of the paradigm in the negative direction. It was Lyn, who on Aug. 15, 1971, in an absolutely visionary way, said, if this paradigm is continued, and if we continue on this road of monetarism—this was really the beginning, with Nixon’s decoupling the dollar from the gold reserve standard, by eliminating the fixed exchange rates, and by creating the casino bubble, or starting this money creation in offshore islands—it will lead to a new depression and a new danger of fascism.

Now, if you look at the series of deregulations which took place in the ’70s and the ’80s, ever more away from production, toward speculation, the next major blow was the repeal of Glass-Steagall in 1999.

This was really the absolute escalation of this present bubble economy, the creation of the so-called “creative financial instruments,” the derivatives market. Then came the final blowout in July 2007, when Lyn made the famous webcast on July 25, one week before the crisis erupted, saying the system is hopelessly bankrupt and all that we are going to see now, is how the different elements of the destruction will come to the surface.

Lyn immediately introduced the Homeowners and Bank Protection Act, which would have stopped the disintegration right there. We had, at that point, tremendous support in the Congress, among the mayors and the state legislators in the United States; but you had the brutal intervention of such evil individuals as Felix Rohatyn and others representing Wall Street, and the Congress, at that point, capitulated.

Shortly thereafter, on Sept. 15, 2008, you had the *Gau* [worst-case scenario], the threat of a systemic collapse, from the collapse of Lehman Brothers and AIG. And for a very short period of time, the international governments and financial community and many others were so shocked, that they considered, for a very brief moment, to return to the Roosevelt idea of a Bretton Woods, in the form of a New Bretton Woods; but instead, at the next G8 meeting, they decided to go for the most gigantic bailout process ever. In the United States, and in Europe, they literally put in trillions of dollars and euros, maybe up to 30 trillion altogether. And I think some of you may still remember the famous words of Federal Chancellor Merkel,¹ who said at some point: We don’t have to worry, because the EU has provided us with a magnificent toolbox. So we will take these tools as they are needed, and these tools will be sufficient to fix the problem.

The EU ‘Toolbox’

This EU toolbox was designed after the British example, and Merkel declared that you all can be confident, because your savings, at least up to EU100,000, will be absolutely safe. The first tool which was taken out of this toolbox was the bailout mechanism, which was essentially a scheme to transform the private debt of high-risk speculators, into public debt. It was the idea to turn the speculative gambling debt into state debt; so all of a sudden, the states were indebted, while

the managers received big bonuses, and the banks, being saved this way, continued their speculation against the very states which had just bailed them out, impoverishing the population ever more, because now the state debt had to be compensated for with draconian austerity programs, in the tradition of Brüning, and for the sake of the sacred cow of balanced budgets, fiscal pacts—and so, they proceeded with absolutely brutal cuts.

So, as a result, the countries of Southern Europe are dying: Greece, Italy, Spain, Portugal, have experienced a complete destruction of their economies. And then came the Cyprus crisis, and the famous “Cyprus template,” as it was called by Dijsselbloem.

First, they had the proposal to tax the deposits of up to EU100,000 by 6.75% and almost 10% for those above, which was rejected by the Cyprus Parliament. Then, finally, they said the “Cyprus template” is what we mean by the “bail-in” tool.

Now, in investigating this more deeply, it turns out this tool was in preparation for a long period of time. It was discussed and worked out in a paper by the Bank of England and the FDIC in the United States. It was supposed to steal deposits on behalf of the so-called “G-SIFI,” the “global systemically important financial institutions.” And if you look at that paper of the BOE-FDIC, it has relatively tame language, as compared to a paper by the EU Commission already written in 2011, namely, the “Discussion Paper on Debt Write-Down Tool—Bail-In.”

What they basically prescribe there, is, rather than relying on the taxpayers for another round of bailouts, they came up with the scheme to stop the contagion by allowing the public authorities to spread the unmanageable debt of the banks to the shareholders and creditor-depositors. And they called this the “debt write-down tool.”

This tool, they say, should be “efficient and avoid any circumvention.” But the most scandalous formulation in this text is: “Liabilities originated on derivatives exposures should also, in principle, be included in the scope of the tool. However, the effective application of the tool to those exposures is not as legally straightforward as for other types of liabilities and it may raise some concerns in terms of financial stability.” Now, if you free that language from the usual bankers’ gobble-dygook, what it actually says is: Burning the derivative debt might be legally too complex to carry out and have grave implications for financial stability; or it would

1. [Press conference](#) with British Prime Minister David Cameron, June 7, 2012.



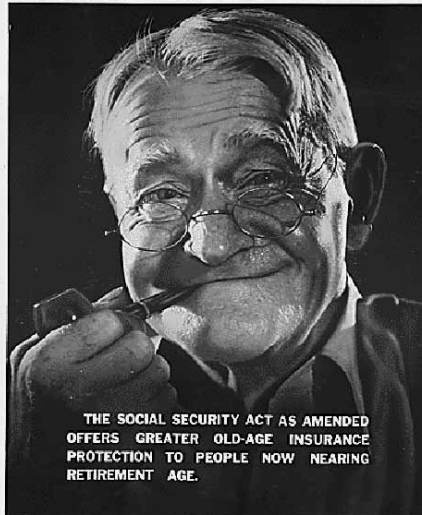
The Glass-Steagall Act and accompanying legislation allowed FDR to reorganize the bankrupt banking system, put the legions of unemployed back to work, and (two years later) set up the Social Security System.

blow out the system right away, so therefore, let's pay the derivatives debt, and instead seize the depositors' money, which is legally easier to take, because they cannot resist it, and it does not pose a grave risk to financial stability.

So theft from the depositors is easier, and it really gives new meaning to the famous phrase of Bertolt Brecht,² who I (as an exception) want to quote, who says that it's one thing to rob a bank to make a lot of money, but if you create a bank, you make a lot more money.

And everybody who brings their money into a bank from now on should know, that the moment you give your money to the bank, the bank owns the money *de facto*, and is at liberty to grab it. Because this is what the "Cyprus template" really means, where, in one case in Cyprus, they cut 40% of deposits in one bank, and all others, above EU100,000, were taxed. And EU100,000—you know, you should not fall for the spin! Because, they say, "Finally we forced the banks to contribute to the bailout!" Well, EU100,000 is easily the operating capital of any small firm to pay wages,

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materials costs, and so forth. So it's really a complete, deliberate destruction of the economy.

So this is one form, and the other form is, like in Spain, where they encouraged, or basically forced more or less, more than 1 million households into buying so-called "preferential stocks"—the *preferentes*—of banks, and then, in the case of one large bank, Bankia, they just said, "Sorry, we're writing down the debt of this bankrupt bank, so all of you who have stock will lose more than 99%—so, too bad!"

So that is just simple theft, it's a crime, it's robbery. And this is exactly what preceded the implementation of Glass-Steagall in 1933, when, in the case of National City Bank and National City Company, the depositors and employees were also forced to buy stocks, and then the National City Company speculated in these, and those who were insiders in these speculations made a lot of money out of it, and filled their pockets with it. Then, in the wake of the crash of 1929, and in the following years, 1930, 1931, these depositors lost most of their money, their life sav-

2. In *The Threepenny Opera*.

ings were gone, while National City Bank remained open. It was one case of “too big to fail.” So, this proceeded until the FDR came in, and the Pecora hearings.

Franklin D. Roosevelt closed all the banks, and declared a banking holiday for 11 days, and made, in that period, a thorough inspection of all 14,000 banks in the United States, forced them to write off worthless securities, and 4,000 of these banks were closed permanently. Other categories of banks that were sound, but lacked liquidity, were provided with that liquidity through the Reconstruction Finance Corp., and then the sounder banks were allowed to open again. Under the Glass-Steagall Act, the commercial banks from then on, were inspected quarterly by the Federal Reserve, to make sure that they would not return to the gambling procedure as before.

Ferdinand Pecora describes in great detail, in a very nice booklet called *Wall Street Under Oath*, how he interrogated all the CEOs of the big Wall Street banks and how amazing admissions came out that they didn’t even know the scope of their taxes, because they had never paid them in their whole life, and things like that.

The Cyprus Template

So, if you look at how the Glass-Steagall Act and the Pecora Commission ended the Depression in the United States, and if you compare what these EU guidelines are proposing, you can see that it is the exact opposite: That what the EU is now preparing, is a guideline, which was admitted by [European Commissioner for Economic and Monetary Affairs] Olli Rehn, to make the Cyprus template the new guideline for the entire EU, which can be applied whenever you have to save the so-called systemically relevant banks. That means that the derivatives speculation will be protected, and they want to have absolutely murderous austerity for the people and the nations.

And if you only look at the result this has caused so far, you have Greece, which has been turned into a Third World country, where young children and students are looking in the garbage cans for food; where children come to school and cannot follow the what the



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Young people from many nations attended the conference.

teachers are saying, because they’re malnourished, they’re hungry, and they can’t concentrate! In Italy, the suicide rate is going up. Greece and Spain have youth unemployment around 60%! Portugal is disintegrating.

In Great Britain, there is going on right now, the total slashing of the social system: 660,000 households which have received rent subsidies, have now had to move to smaller apartments or face reduction of their subsidies. But since there are not enough small flats, and since the free access to legal services has been cut, many of these people are ending up on the streets. The social payments are no longer indexed to inflation, and even the government admits that all these measures will send at least 200,000 children below the poverty line. At the same time, they have reduced the income tax for millionaires by 5%, which means they will earn £100,000 more per year.

Large categories of disabled people no longer are recognized as disabled, and have to pay for their care and transport themselves. In many cases, five or six services are being cut out at the same time. The needy are no longer receiving even a tiny amount of money: Instead, they get food stamps or coupons for the soup kitchens.

In the United States, the same thing is going on with the new Obama budget. Obama wants to cut \$1.2 trillion over ten years: out of this, \$400 billion from Medicare, which is killing old people; \$200 billion from Social Security; \$380 billion through the so-called

chained CPI, which is behavioral economics gobbledygook, which says that if you have an increase in the price of beef, well, then just buy chicken and you won't feel the inflation in the beef price! And this is only the beginning.

The Cyprus template gives people a very mild foretaste of things to come. Basically, after the Lehman Brothers crisis in 2008, nothing was done to write off the toxic waste, and nobody knows the exact figure, because all of these derivatives are traded in OTC arrangements, over the counter, so no central bank, no government, no authority knows the amount. Then you have the huge shadow banking sector, which is probably bigger than the official sector. And French economist Jacques Attali in 2010 said it may be as much as \$1.4 quadrillion! And in Europe alone, the derivatives market is supposed to be \$230 trillion of outstanding derivative contracts.

So if this derivatives bubble bursts, you will have a larger blowup than was threatened after Lehman Brothers, because the whole system is filled with much more hot air and virtual money than it was then. It could come then, to a complete systemic collapse.

One has to consider that the "template" remark by Dijsselbloem was not really an accident. It was part of a strategy to get the population used to the idea that their income will be stolen, because this is the only method which is left: to take the savings and deposits of the population. And it should be also clear that under these conditions, the deposits up to EU100,000 are *not* safe! Because they cannot be: If you calculate all the people who have up to EU100,000, the banks in *no way* can ever pay this, because you are looking at several trillion, which would have to be compensated for, in Germany alone, for people who have these savings. And this money is not there, except if you print it, which is actually happening already with the quantitative easing of Mario Draghi, Ben Bernanke, and now also the Bank of Japan.

So, if you look at these things together: You have the brutal, murderous Troika austerity, the bail-in bank robbery, and you have now the entire world financial system at a hopeless point of collapse.

Fight for Survival

So therefore, the only remedy, which we have to discuss at this conference—and I want people, through the different presentations today and tomorrow, to go out of this conference with the absolute resolve that Glass-

Steagall *must* be implemented, and it *can* be implemented, exactly as Franklin D. Roosevelt provided the example, because this is the absolute necessary first step, to prevent an unimaginable social explosion, which nobody can imagine the consequences of.

It is also obvious that the EU Commission, the Obama Administration, and the British oligarchy in general, want to use this crisis to go for a final dictatorship. When the new U.S. Secretary of the Treasury, Jack Lew, was in Europe and met with the EU Commission, they issued a joint statement that they want to use the new "resolution tools," which is exactly the Cyprus template, and to go for a banking union, the collectivization of the debt, a full-fledged fiscal union, and a political union—i.e., a political dictatorship in Europe.

In Southern Europe, the people have already understood that this is a fight for their survival. The measures implemented increase the death rate; there is a complete destruction of the real economy. In Germany, there is discontent, supposedly only "fatigue" by the population at being the paymaster of the whole thing; and in the meantime, the media and the politicians are still successfully playing the different peoples against each other. So the media portray the Greeks as lazy, the Cyprus crisis as being caused by the "Russian oligarchs"; in Spain, Mrs. Merkel is pictured with a [Hitler] moustache, and if you look at all these things, it's like the blind men and the elephant: One man says the elephant is a thick column, because he happens to be the man who touches the leg; the other one says, "Oh, no, the elephant is a flexible snake," which is the one who touches the trunk; and the third one says, "No, the elephant is a thin cord"—he happens to have the tail.

Now, it is high time that we throw off these blinders from our eyes. The monster which we are dealing with, which is threatening life on this planet, is the British Empire. The name of the game is population reduction. Every five seconds, a child under ten years of age dies, for no good reason! Because the present planet would have the potential to feed, *easily*, 12 billion people or more.

But the Queen of England and Prince Philip have stated repeatedly that their aim is to reduce the human population from 7 to 1 billion. And Hitler already gave the example, that through conscious starvation you can weaken groups of people up to the point of extinction. So what we are seeing right now, in terms of the Third World, and now increasingly, in terms of Europe and



BüSo

Organizing in Germany for a two-tier banking system (along the lines of Glass-Steagall), March 2013. The BüSo is the political party of the LaRouche movement.

the United States, *is* exactly that kind of deliberate starving people to death.

The Threat of War

But the British Empire, which is really the combination of the financial institutions, the central banks, the investment banks, the hedge functions, the private equity funds, the insurance companies, that British Empire wants global domination, and wants to destroy, once and forever, the sovereign nation-state. And it is clear, that from that standpoint, Russia and China are the biggest obstacles.

The policy of regime-change, which, since it destroyed Iraq and Libya, is operating against Syria and Iran, really is aimed at confrontation with Russia and China. And if you look at the NATO and EU expansion after the collapse of the Soviet Union; the expansion and building of the U.S. anti-missile shield in Eastern Europe, with the Patriot deployment in Turkey; the development of the so-called “Asia pivot,” it is very, very clear that what is in preparation is a first-strike capability against Russia and China.

This was admitted in the official journal of the U.S.

Air Force, *Strategic Review Quarterly*, about two months ago, where they claimed that the modernization of nuclear weapons, the delivery systems and targetting, in the meantime has become so precise, that it would be possible to take out, with a first strike, the nuclear arsenal of any nuclear opponent, without nuclear fallout.

Now, if you remember, both the UN Charter, but especially the Nuremberg Tribunal, clearly stated that not only a war of aggression, but the *intention* of a war of aggression, is committing a war crime, I think that what we are looking at *is* war crimes. And I mean, we have to bring these people to account. The war against Iraq, which was *completely* based on the lies of Tony Blair, who was the author of the famous memo which was used by Colin Powell in his speech in the United Nations, was all lies. Afghanistan, all based on lies.

Right now, there is a big motion by the families of the Sept. 11 World Trade Center victims, who demand that the 28 pages of the 9/11 Commission Report, which are still classified to the present day, have to be released, and you know, the truth will come out. Sept. 11 was *not* what the official line is, and therefore, the whole Afghanistan War was based on lies, because it was not an attack by an enemy force from Afghanistan, requiring the invoking of Article 5 of NATO.

The war against Libya was a war crime. What is going on in Syria right now, is a *murderous* policy against a legitimate government of Syria. And it is not even al-Qaeda and al-Nusra: The anti-drug czar of Russia, Viktor Ivanov, just made a statement saying that the rebels in Syria are financed by the transnational crime cartel, financed by the heroin from Afghanistan!

One of our speakers on the podium, Bruce Fein, made an argument in New York, that war legitimizes the killing of an enemy which, if it would not happen in the case of war, would be murder. Now, since all these wars are based on lies, that makes the initiators of these wars—that makes the British Empire, and it makes the present administration of the United States—*de facto*

war criminals. If it comes to a thermonuclear war, which *is* the immediate danger of the extinction of the entire human species, then the crime is a bigger one than at any time in history. And if we cannot change this paradigm, which is extremely close, then we are no smarter than the dinosaurs who became extinct, together with about 98% of all living species, 65 million years ago.

Organizing the Future

So therefore, let me come back to the beginning: We must have a new paradigm if mankind is to survive. The absolute, necessary, irreplaceable first step must be Glass-Steagall, where we implement the Glass-Steagall law in the United States first, and then in every European country and possibly other countries around the globe, and simply wipe out all these trillions, hundreds of trillions of derivatives debt and other toxic waste.

Glass-Steagall must then be followed by a credit system, the idea that a credit system is not based on money. Money has no intrinsic value and if you need proof for that, you just have to remember December of 1923, where people used the reichsmark bills for wallpaper, because that was the cheapest paper people could have.

A credit system, on the other side, is the means to organize the future, to organize the prolonged, continuous existence of society, with the only aim to unleash the

creative potential of the population, to increase productivity for the common good. So what does the sustainable existence of civilization then mean? Well, I think we have to remember that on Feb. 15, the events at Chelyabinsk in the Urals—where, not only did the asteroid pass by the Earth, which was known about in advance, but you had a meteor shower which was not detected by any agency in the West or in the East—was a very useful wakeup call: that our planet is not a self-evident phenomenon, sitting where you can only be concerned about life on the planet, but that we are situated at a very vulnerable moment in processes which are governed entirely by the Solar System and the galaxy.

Yesterday, Russian Deputy Prime Minister Rogozin made a proposal to make the meteorite danger a leading topic at the G20 conference which will take place in St. Petersburg: “The scope of the task of neutralizing the asteroid danger will require the concentration of global intellectual resources, and the scientific and technological capabilities of Russia, the United States and other countries, which will require collaboration. And that cooperation will promote trust among the countries and as a byproduct, the condition resolving the conflict over the ballistic-missile-defense crisis.”

Now, this is the option, because if we move civilization away from the present thinking of defending the past, defending the banking and monetary system, we can start thinking about how we can now invest in the

Rogozin: Put Asteroid Defense on G20 Agenda

April 12—In a letter to Russian President Vladimir Putin, Deputy Prime Minister Dimitri Rogozin urged that the “Strategic Defense of the Earth” be placed high on the agenda of the next G20 meeting. Russia is presently chairing the G20, which will hold its next summit Sept. 8-9 in St. Petersburg.

In the letter, “leaked” to the newspaper *Izvestiya*, Rogozin wrote, “The scale of the task of neutralizing the asteroid threat requires the concentration of global intellectual resources and the scientific potential of Russia, the United States, and other countries of the world. . . . Such a program of coop-

eration will increase trust among nations and, at the same time, create the conditions for ending the confrontation over the missile defense program.” To conduct such a program, Rogozin is calling for the creation of a new structure under the auspices of the United Nations, which Rogozin calls a “space IAEA” [International Atomic Energy Agency].

Rogozin calls this “the project to save civilization from threats in space.”

In October 2011, Rogozin, then Russia’s ambassador to NATO, first proposed a Strategic Defense of Earth, in the context of resolving the conflict between the U.S. and Russia over NATO’s missile defense program. He reiterated the proposal in the immediate wake of the Chelyabinsk meteor incident in February. As far as is known, the U.S. Administration has yet to respond.

kinds of things which we absolutely need as a civilization to survive. We have to think about the world from the lofty perspective of the astronauts, the cosmonauts, where several, after returning from space travel, reported that when you look from outer space at our blue planet, you don't see borders, you don't see military blocs, but you see, actually, one humanity.

I believe absolutely, that if we get rid of these present policies, through the combination of the policy measures which we propose—Glass-Steagall, credit system, global reconstruction—then the present paradigm, which is based entirely on depravity, on greed, on a complete lack of compassion for the suffering of billions of people, on finding pleasure in sadistic entertainment, that these will be overcome, as the childhood disease of mankind, and that we will outgrow it. We will outgrow it, in the same way as little, nasty four-year-old boys who hit and kick their neighbors in the shins, eventually outgrow that nastiness, and become scientists and artists, and become human beings.

I believe that through the development of man, the idea of Nicolaus of Cusa, that sin is the lack of development, that evil can be overcome by intellectual devel-

opment, and especially the aesthetical education of man; when we reach what Krafft Ehrlicke called the “extraterrestrial imperative,” namely that man becomes a species in space, that we will leave this behind us.

For those who are believers in the fact that there is a Creator, I think that the true identity of mankind is to be *imago viva Dei*, the living image of God, where we, as instruments of God, carry on the process of creation on the planet, and beyond. And for those who don't believe that there is a Creator, well, you have to study the laws of the universe more deeply, and then come eventually to the same conclusion as Kepler, who said that the more you study the beauty of the laws of the universe, the more you come to the conclusion that there is a magnificent plan behind all of that.

So, with this optimism, let us proceed with this conference, and after this conference, go out with the absolute passionate love for mankind, that we are not going to allow this beautiful species, which is capable of such fantastic achievements, to die, just because we have now reached a low point. And that we will achieve, with the passion for mankind, with the love for mankind, a foretaste of what future generations will perfect.

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The Strategic View from the United States

Here is Lyndon LaRouche's keynote to the Schiller Institute conference in Frankfurt, Germany, April 13, 2013.

There's a certain element of short but sweet in what I have to say. It may be sweet for some people, but not for others. It's sweet for me, because it's the truth. And it's a truth which is generally not recognized at all; and therefore, the truth that is not recognized at all is inherently the most beautiful of them all.

We're in a situation now, where, in point of fact, especially in the Americas, and in Europe and Africa, for example, mankind is in the greatest danger of virtual extinction of the species ever known to us in historical times. There may have been prehistorical periods which are legendary, shall we say, as opposed to historical, but never before, since those prehistorical times, has mankind ever faced a danger to the human species as great as the world as a whole faces today.

The center of that problem lies between Europe and North America. All the other regions of the other nations are simply secondary. They are not the principal drivers, nor do they provide the solution for the situation.

The key to understanding this is to shock a number of you, especially those who are European, as to what the situation is today. Everybody knows, I think, in Europe and beyond, that we have a great hyperinflationary financial crisis, and that populations are being starved, probably starved to death, in great numbers, in various parts of this part of the world. And they're doomed, unless the solution to this problem is identified and understood.

Mankind is on the verge of a quasi-extinction. This is not something "down the line." This is something in the immediate future. It's a problem which must be identified now, correctly; it's a problem which is not understood in most parts of Europe; it's little understood in the United States, though in the United States we have a better understanding than anyone else does. This system is about to go into a collapse.

A Doomsday Sign

Now, there's an intention behind this. The intention has been bespoken by the Queen of England, who considers herself the Empress of the world—and to a large degree she is. Europe, for example: Western and Central Europe are nothing but puppets of the British Empire. You don't have nation-states any more. You don't have sovereignty any more. You have a system, and the system is run essentially from London. And if their system continues, and is not defeated, the power of the British Empire over Europe, or most of Europe, most of Western and Central Europe, the power over the United States, right now, means that the doom that is threatened, seems to be almost inevitable.

The hyperinflation which has struck Europe and the United States, simultaneously—it's a Doomsday sign. And the rate of production of necessities is falling, and it's falling at an accelerating rate, and will continue to fall at an accelerating rate, as long as this trans-Atlantic system of power continues.

And no one in Europe has a chance, now, of doing



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"Don't stick to stagnant old ideas," LaRouche advised. "There are new threats and new opportunities and new happinesses out there waiting to be seized."



White House/Pete Souza

The British imperial policy—to reduce the human population by many billions—is now being implemented throughout Europe, and in the United States, as specified by the Queen of England and her puppet, President Obama (shown here in London May 2011), LaRouche declared.

much about it. Because they're all tied in, so heavily, to the so-called euro system. The euro system is a mass suicide system of the unwilling.

Now, what's wrong? Why is this hyperinflation—and this is a hyperinflation which makes what happened in Germany in 1923 a simple problem—this is the virtual extinction! Now, the British Empress, the Queen of England, has specified—we had this series of discussions involving Copenhagen,¹ at one point; it was shifted from there, and the British Queen went off in a different direction. It now has gone with a program of explicit genocide, mass genocide. Specifically. She's said it not on one occasion; she's said it repeatedly. She emphasizes it today. It's the policy of the President of the United States today—it's a policy of genocide against the trans-Atlantic population, in particular.

And it's a very efficient genocide. If not stopped, it will kill. What her goals are: The immediate prospect is

1. The November 2009 British Commonwealth Heads of Government meeting in Trinidad and Tobago, prior to the UN Climate Change Conference in Copenhagen, was addressed by Queen Elizabeth II. Sir John Schellnhuber, who was made a Commander of the Most Excellent Order (CBE) of the British Empire in 2004, by Queen Elizabeth, told a March 13, 2009 pre-meeting for the Copenhagen Climate Change Conference that the carrying capacity of the planet is below 1 billion people. See http://larouche.pub.com/other/2011/3845london_war_depop.html.

to reduce the world's population from 7 billion people, to somewhat in the order of magnitude of 1 or 1.2 billion people. That's her policy.

That policy is being implemented throughout Europe, especially Western and Central Europe. That policy is being implemented inside the United States itself; a policy of deliberate genocide has been specified by the Queen of England and her puppet, the President of the United States, has now declared his support for that policy. We're going to have the greatest rate of accelerated *death* in the United States coming on, if this President remains President.

The policy is not *his*. The policy is *hers*. She bought and paid for him, with drug money, a vast flood of drug money which was used to secure his election as President of the United States.

He carried out that kind of program all the way through. He carried it out in the form of warfare. What happened in Libya; what is spreading into Syria; what is threatening throughout all of Africa; what is going on in the Middle East; what the threats are to Russia—all

these things—the threats to China now. All these things are being done by her, chiefly through her instrument, the current President of the United States, who's nothing but her stooge, for her!

That's what we face.

Beating the Money Game

Now, how do we deal with this? They have an argument. The argument is, we've got a money problem. And we've got to solve the money problem: "We've got to be nice to money, even if it means being mean to people. Even if it means killing them!" And that is exactly what the policy is of the current President of the United States. He has not gotten it voted up yet, but that's his policy. That's his intention. His intention is *genocide* against a major part of the population of the United States, as well of Europe.

So, unless we can solve this little mystery, of what's the money game, then we're not going to solve the problem.

So, therefore, I've come to that particular point. What is the problem? Why are Europeans so stupid as to put up with this? Why are European governments more stupid than the people? Naturally, they're more stupid—that's how they got to be governments. Otherwise, they wouldn't have been allowed into govern-

ment, if they hadn't been stupid, malleable.

There's only one solution, and that solution is Glass-Steagall. But most people don't know what Glass-Steagall is. They think it's a new kind of adjustment system. No. *Glass-Steagall is the fundamental law of the United States*. Glass-Steagall is the name given to that law, at a specific time in history.

It was not just the United States. It was the forerunners of the United States. This is something that comes out of Nicholas of Cusa, for example, and his great influence, and the great scientific development which occurred, that was then destroyed largely, by periods of great warfare, in Europe, in particular. Civil war.

Columbus was a follower of Nicholas of Cusa, who said the solution is to leave Europe, and go across the oceans to the people of other parts of the world, and build up a civilization, a global human civilization, which will make it possible for all parts of humanity to enjoy what human beings are, and should be allowed to be.

We had religious war. What did this lead to? Well, Columbus's expedition didn't work out too well; the original Columbian settlement, the middle Mexican settlement, these things worked out fairly well. But they were destroyed under the influence of the oligarchical system.

So, then you had this thing that came from a few Dutch, a few French, a few British, Irish, and so forth, and they came over across the water into the North American continent, as well as the South American continent. And in the United States, in particular, in that area we made two efforts to solve the problem which Europe faced, as a result of this situation.

They said, let's leave Europe. Let's get some people out of Europe. *Because it is impossible to solve this problem in Europe*. And it never has been solved. It just vibrated back and forth. Some progress was made, but things became weaker and weaker and weaker.

Well, we had something that worked out in Massachusetts, finally, in that century, the Massachusetts Bay Colony. Now the Massachusetts Bay Colony was an act of genius. It created the economic system on which the United States was based.

Now the Massachusetts Bay Colony was crushed by the Venetian party, so-called, the same Venetian party that destroyed the independence of the Britons, and made them slaves of the New Venetian slavery system. And so, the new slavery system came into North America, into Massachusetts, where we had had the first economic system on which the United States was based.

We then got into a war with Britain, which had been taken over by the New Venetian Party. And Britain had become an empire, during the middle of that [18th] century.

At that point, in the middle of the century, the people in North America, including some of my ancestors, had set forth on a new system of economy, a revival of the same system as the Massachusetts Bay Colony's system. And it worked. And there was one man who actually figured out how to make the principle work, and he was, of course, Alexander Hamilton [1755/57-1804], whose brain designed the American System, the only competent system that solves this kind of problem.

Then the effort was made which succeeded.

But then we were crushed. The British, in particular, were constantly trying to get us to crush our new republic. We had a few great leaders in this republic, initial leaders in this republic. And then we had another group; and then they were crushed in turn. We were crushed again; we were crushed by a British intervention in what was called the Civil War of the United States. We came out of that successfully, but then we were betrayed again by British intervention, British imperial intervention.

Churchill's Perfidy

And then we got our power back, and then some damned fools in the United States decided to go join and support the British in the war called World War I, the most stupid thing that was ever done.

We came out of [War War II] successfully, under Franklin Roosevelt, who represented the same policy as Alexander Hamilton did, in defining the economic policy, the founding constitutional principle, of the United States. Franklin Roosevelt understood that policy, and put a version of it through. And it worked. We won the war. Unfortunately, Franklin Roosevelt died.

He died; why did he die? Because the British killed him. How did they kill him? Well, we were fighting this war, World War II, as it was called, and Roosevelt was the leader of the nation; he was the leader of the international effort to save civilization. But then Churchill had a cute idea: Let's not win the war too soon. That was the British policy. Let's not win the war too soon. Let's wait until Roosevelt is dead. Then when they saw that Franklin Roosevelt was about to die—and this is a matter of eyewitness, not my witness knowledge on some of this stuff—then they went and ended the war, *after Roosevelt had died*.

They wore him out, with the illness he'd gone

through. They wore him out deliberately. And Churchill did it *deliberately*. He prolonged the war in Europe, to prevent the United States from going back to the policies of Franklin Roosevelt, and the commitments that Roosevelt had made to the peace. The entire peace policy of Franklin Roosevelt was obliterated, under the direction of Winston Churchill, and that sort of process.

Well, then, we were in trouble. Harry Truman, the President who replaced President Roosevelt, was a bum, a Wall Street bum, and a whore for the British Empire. They used nuclear weapons. Started by whom? Started by the British Empire, not the United States.

Nuclear Power, Not Nuclear Weapons

Then we got that straightened out, and went through a process of fighting back against what Churchill and others had done. We had weapons, yes. We had a nuclear arsenal, yes. (And Britain had a nuclear arsenal, given to them by us.) But it was not to be used unless there was a real need to use it. We did not want to unleash what nuclear weapons meant as a weapon of warfare. We were willing to have the weapons, but don't utilize them as a policy. Don't try to get into a war by using nuclear weapons. Do anything possible to avoid having to use nuclear weapons.

And nuclear weapons were not the purpose. Nuclear weapons were a variety of something else. Nuclear weapons were a reflection of nuclear *power*, where people like Einstein and Max Planck, in the 1890s, had already envisaged the basis for nuclear power.

And it's a natural thing for mankind to use nuclear power. It's an unnatural thing *not* to use nuclear power. It's an insane thing not to use nuclear power. Because the continued existence of man, in the face of the threat from inside the Solar System, from asteroids and other things in the system, which are now becoming an increasing threat, and source of threats—that will be reported elsewhere, later today. There was never a purpose for nuclear weapons. The Nazis had even thought about using nuclear weapons. Hitler had killed it, at that point.



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The Glass-Steagall policy, if applied, will save the United States, and Europe as well. Here, LaRouchePAC organizers in Washington, D.C., in front of the Treasury Building, May 2011.

But the intention of the nuclear policy did not come from a nuclear-weapons policy. It came from the *need for progress* of man's condition; of increasing the productive powers of mankind; for raising the standard of living of mankind; for increasing the density of power per capita and per unit of territory. We are now going to be going to thermonuclear power, not as thermonuclear weapons—we're going to thermonuclear power in order to get to Mars faster.

Because without thermonuclear fusion, you cannot get to Mars conveniently; mankind will never get to Mars, to live on Mars, without thermonuclear fusion as a power source. We will never be able to deal with the threats to mankind from asteroids and things like that, unless we bring those means to practice. Not for warfare, but for the development of man's role inside the Solar System, at least in the inner part of the Solar System. So, that's our nuclear policy.

Glass-Steagall Will Save the United States

How does all this work with the economy? Well, what we are proposing, and what we are working for—I'll just give you brief background—we had an organization inside the United States, which had in it a branch of our organization, which involved younger people. I

positioned myself in the recent years to take the group of young people, young adults, and to build an organization within our existing organization, which would be the part of growth and our future role in politics.

Then, during last year, during the Summer and early Autumn, I just said at one point, “Look, what we’ve got to do, we’ve got to shut down everything else we’re doing, in order to take the core of our organization and get into Washington, D.C. in the period of this election campaign, and just sit on that whole pile of people, of members of Congress and similar kinds of people. And let’s get our policy put through, and let’s educate the Congress.”

And that’s what we did. Now today, we have reached the point where we do have a significant influence, far greater than anything we ever had before in terms of the United States. And the core of what we are proposing is Glass-Steagall.

Simply, the Glass-Steagall policy, if applied, will save the United States. If Europeans wish to survive, they will do the same thing. They will take a carbon copy of Glass-Steagall and bring it into Europe immediately, and eliminate any other variety of economic-policy system. And that’s what’s needed.

What people don’t understand in all of this, what Europeans don’t understand—they don’t understand what economy is all about. That is, actual physical economy, human economy. We can learn a lesson from the animal kingdom, because the animal kingdom evolves. Evolution is the natural state of living processes. As far as we know, the general trend of all living processes is based on evolution. The evolution to higher energy-flux forms of existence.

And every bit of progress in mankind’s status has always been a result of utilization and recognition of this principle. Now, in the animal kingdom, the animals that aren’t so efficient, die; they go extinct. The same thing is true of nations. Nations that don’t progress, die; they go extinct. Europe is going extinct. The United States has also joined the self-extinction club, under the past two Presidents, under the banning of Glass-Steagall.

And therefore, what’s happening in Europe, in not considering Glass-Steagall, or not applying it; what’s happening in the United States, even though we have a better knowledge of Glass-Steagall, and we have much more support for Glass-Steagall; but even in Europe, independent European thinkers are thinking in terms of Glass-Steagall as an economic reform. Even many people in England, many people in the British system,

who are bankers, are saying, “We must go to Glass-Steagall.” They know in fact that nothing else will work except Glass-Steagall. Without Glass-Steagall right now, civilization is dead! It cannot survive.

Mankind Evolves Voluntarily

What does all this mean?

First of all, take two things: One, all life is based on an evolutionary process, under which species go from lower qualities of development to higher. That’s the animal kingdom; that’s the law of evolution. Now mankind is different than all other kinds of animals, because mankind has the power to evolve voluntarily. Mankind evolves voluntarily, not by changing his biology, but by changing his mind. And the utilization of noetic powers of mind, and no animal species really has noetic powers of mind. Only human beings have noetic powers of mind.

And therefore, the object is always to go to higher levels of technology, which means kill off the green policy! If you want to survive, end the green policy; because that’s a death sentence. It’s a suicide pact! Mankind must always progress; we must always learn from the animals and apply the principles the animals don’t know how to do. Rise to a higher energy-flux density. How do you do that? You make physical discoveries; you go from lower forms of energy-flux density to higher forms of energy-flux density. You find new applications.

Mankind is, for the moment, helpless against the asteroids which have arrayed against us inside the Solar System. We’re helpless against the comets. We saw recently in Russia, we saw some quickie asteroids shooting through there. If they had a little more energy-flux density in that territory, you wouldn’t have had a large number of people injured, you would have had mass deaths. Mankind is faced with mass death if we fail to progress adequately and rapidly enough to defeat the problems.

In the United States and in Europe, you have a common suicide pact; it’s called the green policy, which is a species suicide pact. It’s mass death! Without the increase in energy-flux density expressed in terms of technology and pure power as such, there’s no future for mankind on this planet.

Therefore, what’s this economic problem then? Which is what all my talking up to here is about. Unless we go to the equivalent of a Glass-Steagall policy, which is to say that our policy is to increase our energy-

flux density represented by applications to man's benefit. At the same time, this is reflected in another way.

Again, we can learn from the animal species. Progress, evolve, or die! Progress, evolve, or go extinct! That's the law; that's the law of nature. Mankind is the only creature which does it voluntarily and *can* do it voluntarily, and that is by making discoveries with the mind, with the powers of mind to discover new principles, higher principles of development. Nobody but mankind is known to be able to do that voluntarily. And people who decide to give up that voluntary right, that voluntary capability, are committing their own mass suicide.

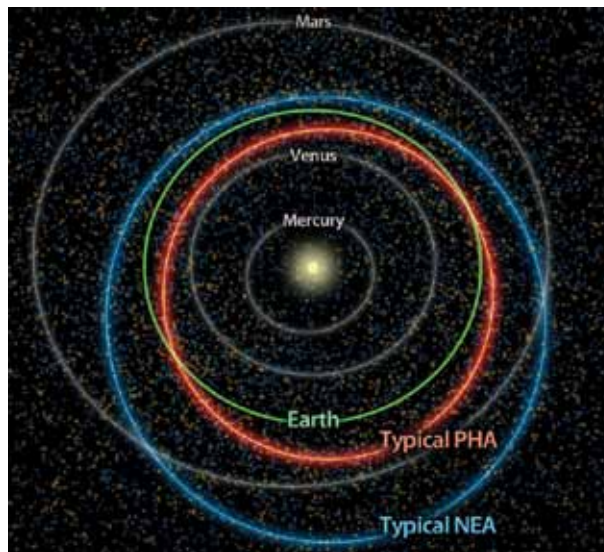
Nicholas of Cusa in the totality of his work and his influence, he was the *engineer* of science, was the *engineer* of progress. He was the salvation of Europe, from what had been the misery and the horrible conditions of the earlier centuries.

And therefore, this is a moral question. What's our economic system? Why is our economic system such a genius, as opposed to the poor Europeans who don't understand this yet? What is the principle? The principle of progress, the principle of going to higher energy-flux density, to higher standards of productivity. To be able to defend Earth and the people on it from the kinds of things that threaten Earth now, and the kinds of things that threaten the people of Earth now.

The American System

How do we do that? Well, it goes back to the American System. The American System is progress, progress, progress, as expressed in the currency of the Massachusetts Bay Colony. Again, that's the beginning of it. We were crushed, we went back to the same thing.

We had a genius among us—Alexander Hamilton—who made it clear *how the United States economic system could be made to work*. And because we existed,



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It's time to get out there in the Solar System, and begin to control the threats to mankind from the flying rocks out there, of which there are millions, LaRouche urged. This NASA diagram illustrates the differences between orbits of a typical near-Earth asteroid/NEA (blue) and a potentially hazardous asteroid/PHA (orange). PHAs have the closest orbits to Earth's orbit, coming within 5 million miles, and are large enough to survive passage through Earth's atmosphere and cause damage on a regional, or greater, scale.

even as a relatively weak power inside the Americas, the fact that we were promoting, as Benjamin Franklin had done, as his predecessors in Massachusetts had done—they based themselves on a policy of progress, of scientific progress. And on an understanding that scientific progress is based on increasing the productive powers of labor, which means such things as just plain innovation, or scientific discovery.

And we actually drove Europe into progress. Our existence forced Europe, it forced even the British to reckon with progress. And that the basis of money as such is not the basis of economy; the basis of economy is productivity, of increase of the energy-flux density,

or increase of the productivity of our production in general.

The problem is, what are the other systems? You have the monetary system, the pure monetary system, the currency system. What's wrong with that? Well, the common currency system has no built-in feature of a drive for progress. Therefore, currency, a gold currency, is not the basis for progress. A silver currency, a monetarist system, is not a basis for progress.

The basis for progress is an increase in the manifest benefits of the productive powers of labor, so that every time that you are acting and producing, you are producing at a higher level than you were producing the day before. You do that in Classical music; you do that in Classical drama; you do that in everything that man does that's good.

And therefore, our currency, our system, the American System, the American Constitutional System, is based *uniquely* on the concept associated with Alexander Hamilton. We have never achieved anything of notability as a nation in the United States, except on the basis of the application of Hamilton's principle! And if you base yourself on a monetary system, a pure mone-

tary system, you are not requiring progress; you're not requiring physical and technological progress. So how can mankind survive if we don't progress? If we just wear ourselves out, and, like animals, die because we become antiquated?

So therefore, our system is based on a credit system; the same system that was used in the United States, by our greatest early Presidents and their associates. The great things that were driven by the science-driver program. In Europe, the great pressure of the American Revolution forced more attention to this, because nations were competing. If they wanted to compete in Europe, they had to do something about trying to overtake and catch up with each other, to do something better than the next guy.

And it came to the idea of the system of investment, in our system; when it's applied, we always increase the productive powers of labor. And we recognized, that to do that, you have to increase the productivity potential of the population. You have to go to higher technologies, always, always, always, higher technologies. Master territories that before you couldn't inhabit. Conquer things that frighten you.

And the next phase we're at now, now, as you will hear from our other source here today [Jason Ross], the concentration is going to be on energy-flux density and things of that nature. It means getting out there in the Solar System, out to our neighbors in the Solar System. And beginning to get the power through scientific discoveries, and scientific development; to get out there and control the threats to mankind which are represented by these flying rocks out there, of which there are millions, between the Venusian and the Mars vicinity. They're out there waiting to destroy us. The intensity of these rocks coming by us is higher.

One of our people noted today, that if we were going to be hit by an asteroid, which was big enough and fast enough to destroy human life on Earth, there's not a damned thing we could do about it, within a year. If mankind's survival is going to depend upon going out and developing systems of defense against these kind of threats, and going out and reaching farther and farther, so the ability to defend the existence of the human species is made possible. We cannot do that without thermonuclear fusion as a standard of productivity for mankind in the future.

And so the principle is simple. It's the principle of the United States: progress. The principle of Nicholas of Cusa: progress. The principle of Charlemagne: progress.

Charlemagne understood economy better than anybody in Europe today does. It's true! He actually calculated, he had a whole census. He examined the whole domain that he dominated during the period of his lifetime. He united the water systems. That was still being done in Germany back in the 1990s, in the final stages. He found out how much people had to eat, how much it cost to build a great system—which broke down after he was out, as they went back in history, went back to an earlier form.

But always this is a principle of progress, that man has a duty of progress, and has had it all along.

But now we've come to a time where we're now not looking out at the Solar System as a passive thing. We're now seeing new kinds of problems; and the thing that threatens mankind now, that really should frighten everyone, frighten us into doing something good about it, is to increase technology, the energy-flux density of technology; reverse the green policy which is our suicide pact in Europe, and in part of the United States. A green policy is a policy of human mass death, because without progress, the conditions of life under which man is able to continue life, human life on this planet, cannot do it.

And right now, the landmark of that at this stage lies in dealing with the threats of those asteroids out there. What once I used to call the Strategic Defense Initiative, when I pushed that policy and we got a lot of people to accept it, in Russia as well, or in the Soviet Union as well. And similar kinds of things. These kinds of inventions; these kinds of discoveries of principle, which depend upon mankind always becoming better than himself. Whoever you are, whatever you represent, you must become better than yourself.

We have a Solar System, and the Solar System is a nice thing to have, and we can use it; but also the Solar System is something which can kill you. And you better learn how to use that. And that's my point.

Just the whole point of the U.S. system, the system which we're trying to revive as a Glass-Steagall system today, is the only system which provides for a survival of civilization. So let's dump all those things that people have as cheap-shot successes. *There's only one thing that will save mankind—increase the productive powers of labor.* And don't stick to stagnant old ideas. There are new threats and new opportunities and new happinesses out there waiting to be seized. People have to know they exist, and then they have to choose to accept them.

Has the Revolt Against Obama Reached the Tipping Point?

by Nancy Spannaus

April 15—The political revolt against President Barack Obama, and his “made-in-London” policies is rapidly on the rise, as larger and larger sections of the American population come to the conclusion that his economic and foreign policies are leading toward their own personal destruction. Yet, appropriate action by the U.S. Congress, which has had the evidence in hand to start impeachment proceedings against this President for several years, still lags behind, putting the nation in danger.

The flashpoint for the recent upsurge has been Obama’s decision to formally propose the slashing of Social Security benefits through the adoption of a new method for calculating (actually *reducing*) the cost-of-living escalator for recipients. The so-called CCPI (chained Consumer Price Index) has long been proposed by “mainstream” monetarist economists as a means of cutting back government payments, by ignoring increases in prices, on the bogus assumption that a “substitution” with a cheaper item is possible.

The rage over the CCPI proposal is not unrelated to the fact that, over the past week, there have been six new signers on HR 129, Rep. Marcy Kaptur’s Glass-Steagall bill, and the introduction of memorials for Glass-Steagall in two additional states, North Carolina and Minnesota.

But it’s not only Obama’s economic policy. Simultaneously, a bill calling for the formation of a House Select Committee on the Terrorist Attack in Benghazi

(HR 36) has drawn an additional 37 supporters, bringing the number of co-sponsors to 99. The bill, introduced by Rep. Frank Wolf (R-Va.), demands that the Administration finally answer questions about what actually happened in the 9/11/2012 attack in Benghazi, Libya, including the unexplained lack of timely response from U.S. officials. While not yet broaching the crucial question of Obama’s alliance with the British-Saudi-backed terrorists who carried out the murders, and are now being supported in Syria, the pressure on the Administration is increasing.

Will the Democrats Get Serious?

President Obama’s full budget proposal, released April 10, not surprisingly, follows the script for genocidal cuts in those sections of government spending on which the very survival of the U.S. population, and the economy, depend. There are hard spending cuts of over \$1 trillion outlined for the next decade, ranging from \$400 billion in “savings” from medical cuts, to \$230 billion in “savings” from the CCPI, to \$200 billion from programs such as farm supports and Federal retirement benefits, and \$200 billion slashed from “discretionary” spending.

The initial response to the announcement was just what the President apparently anticipated—more happiness among Republicans than Democrats. Obama’s poll numbers immediately fell, and Obama is once again exposed as a liar: Note the interchange between



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Rep. Frank Wolf's resolution, calling for a committee to investigate the Benghazi outrage, is receiving broad support. Here, he is joined at an April 10 press conference to announce HR 36, by Lt. Gen. Jerry Boykin (left), and Frank Gaffney.

Obama and Republican candidate Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.) during the 2008 election campaign (posted on Huffington Post), in which, in response to McCain's proposing a cut in the CPI, and raise the retirement age for Social Security benefits, Obama blustered, "Let me be clear: I will not do either."

Leading Democrats, especially members of the House Progressive Caucus, immediately went on a loud, verbal offensive. Following the submission of 2 million petition signatures against the CCPI April 9, that caucus, joined by AFL-CIO President Richard Trumka and Senators Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.) and Tom Harkin (D-Iowa), held a press conference on Capitol Hill April 10 to attack the chained CPI policy. "Do not be distracted by the technicalities of chained CPI. We are talking about one thing: slashing Social Security benefits," said Harkin.

Sen. Elizabeth Warren (D-Mass.) was equally blunt, when she noted in a mass e-mail: "In short, 'chained CPI' is just a fancy way to say cut benefits for seniors, the permanently disabled, and orphans. Two-thirds of seniors rely on Social Security for most of their income; one-third rely on it for at least 90% of their income. These people aren't stashing their Social Security checks in the Cayman Islands and buying vacation homes in Aruba—they are hanging on by their fingernails to their place in the middle class."

Surprisingly sharp also, was an April 10 statement issued by the National Organization for Women

(NOW), which slammed the chained CPI proposal as either a "highly cynical move to bargain with right-wing legislators or a willfully misguided move to undermine our Social Security system." NOW went on to say the cut would hit women particularly hard: "Those who say the chained CPI won't make much of an impact are either hopelessly dense or just plain deceitful."

While these protests against the proposed cuts against the most vulnerable are being lodged primarily by Democrats, a bipartisan grouping has come together to seek to reverse the cuts to Medicare for cancer-fighting drugs, by introducing HR 1416. The Obama Administration, the author of the sequester idea, has sat by and let this mass-murderous cut go through.¹

Of course, such a *process* of cuts cannot be stopped by fighting one issue at a time. What is needed is to shift the entire agenda by going back to the Franklin Roosevelt Glass-Steagall system, as the first step to rebuilding a national banking system and the productive economy. That action would be a major blow against Obama. Any other approach is death by 1,000 cuts—where it doesn't really matter which is first.

So far, the bankers and political bosses have exerted more political weight than the American people, in getting Congress, and especially the Senate, *not* to act on Glass-Steagall. That is what must quickly change.

Will They Tolerate Treason?

It has now been more than six months since the murder of U.S. Ambassador Christopher Stevens and three other Americans in the Sept. 11 attack in Benghazi—and the Obama Administration is still stonewalling. Answers to critical questions about the response to that atrocity have not been forthcoming. More importantly, despite stunning new revelations (many, but not all, from this news service) of the Obama Administration's alliance with the British-Saudi terrorist network which carried out those Benghazi murders, that alliance is still in effect, notably in

1. See Marcia Merry Baker, "Obama's Sequester Cuts Medicare Chemo; Cancer Clinics Appeal to Congress," *EIR*, April 12, 2013.

Syria, putting not only the Southwest Asian theater, but the entire world, in danger of a confrontation that could lead to thermonuclear war.

There have been two noteworthy initiatives taken in Congress to expose and stop this process. The first came from Rep. Walter Jones (R-N.C.), who, on the very first day of the new Congress, renewed his resolution which would reassert Congress's unique Constitutional power to declare war, and state that any Executive action toward war without Congressional approval would trigger the process of impeachment. Jones also issued a letter to the chairman of the House Intelligence Committee in March, in which he demanded the release of the classified 28 pages of the 9/11 Congressional Commission Report, which reportedly contain damning evidence of the Saudi involvement in Sept. 11, 2001—involvement that the Obama Administration is covering up to this day.

The second initiative came from Rep. Frank Wolf, who has sponsored HR 36, a call for establishing a Select Committee to Investigate Benghazi. Wolf's resolution would set up a committee with subpoena power to pursue unanswered questions about the attack. It had 99 Republican co-sponsors as of April 12; unfortunately, no Democrat has yet signed on.

Wolf's resolution has received broad support from outside the Congress as well. On April 10, a group of more than 700 Special Forces veterans issued an open letter to all Members of Congress, demanding that they support HR 36. A press conference held on Capitol Hill to announce the support was notable for featuring a call by conservative columnist Frank Gaffney for an investigation of the *policy* which led to the Benghazi attack, not just the details of what happened.

An Open Letter

The day after the press conference, the Wolf initiative received the strong support of Patricia Smith, the mother of one of the four Benghazi murder victims. Her letter to the Congressman was just published by USN&R Washington Whispers.

"Hon. Frank R. Wolf

"This letter is to endorse resolution H. Res. 36 to create a Select Committee to investigate the Benghazi attacks.

"I am the mother of Sean Smith, one of the four people murdered in Benghazi by terrorists along with

ambassador Chris Stevens and ex-Seals Ty Woods and Glen Daugherty. When I was in Wash. DC at the reception of the caskets, I asked for and received promises from Pres. Obama, Hillary Clinton, Leon Panetta, VP Biden and several other dignitaries in attendance. They all looked me directly in the eyes and promised they would find out and let me know. I got only one call from a clerk about a month later quoting from the time line, which I already had.

"I agree completely with items 1 thru 16 of this resolution. I especially want to know WHY the four were abandoned the way they were. My son told me that he saw someone taking pictures just before this happened and reported it. He told me they asked repeatedly for better security.

"Please, please help me find out who is responsible and fix it so no more of our sons & daughters are abandoned by the country they love. It is very difficult to find out. Leon Panetta advised Pres. Obama that the attack was occurring and Pres. Obama went to bed without sending help. It is too late for my son but not too late for those that follow.

"I have been following John McCain and Lindsey Graham hoping they had the ability to get some answers but no luck. Hillary finally testified but didn't answer the questions (i.e. If they were watching this happen in real time, why wasn't help sent).

"Patricia A. Smith

"Mother of Sean Smith"

The Real Question

As *EIR* and LaRouchePAC have insisted, the real questions behind the Benghazi attack can only be answered by looking at the ugly political reality that President Obama is a *de facto* puppet of the British Empire, carrying out its policies, *despite* the destructive impact they have on the United States and the world.

The same is the case for Obama's economic policy, which has consistently served Wall Street, the American branch of the British imperial financial system, and let the American population be increasingly destroyed.

There is only one solution to such a betrayal of the interests of the nation, and that is to remove the current President from power, by Constitutional means—thus breaking the dynamic of genocidal austerity and world war which he is carrying out. That move, however, requires that Congress act in defense of its Constitutional oath. Can it be forced to do so, in time?

House Bill Filed Against Biofuels

by Marcia Merry Baker

April 11—A bill to curb biofuels, because of their impact on the U.S. food and farm crisis, the false claims for bio-energy, and the intransigence of the Obama Administration, was filed this week in the House of Representatives by a bipartisan foursome of Jim Costa (D-Calif.), Peter Welch (D-Vt.), Bob Goodlatte (R-Va.), and Steve Womack (R-Ark.). They were joined by several other Members of Congress, at a press conference April 10 at the Capitol.

The new bill is called the RFS (Renewable Fuel Standard) Reform Act. The initiating co-sponsors released a statement yesterday, which is excerpted below. Goodlatte, a former House Agriculture Committee chairman (2003-07) and vice chairman (2011-12), also introduced the RFS Elimination Act, which, he said yesterday, is to “give relief to livestock and food producers as well as consumers” by restoring a “free market” instead of Federally backed biofuels.

Both measures will be referred to the House Energy and Commerce Committee, where a hearing is expected soon.

Costa said at the press conference, “The debate is over; the Renewable Fuel Standard as we know it is not sustainable. I have heard just this week from Foster Farms, poultry producers in my district [San Joaquin Valley], that their price of doing business has jumped by over \$250 million annually in the last five years because of skyrocketing corn prices. Putting food into our fuel tanks is hurting dairymen and women, livestock producers, consumers, and businesses across the nation. We can’t afford this. It’s time for real, wholesale change.”

The legislative initiative comes after the Obama Administration, for the last eight months, has snubbed appeals from nine state governors and dozens of farm and food associations, to lift the Federal corn-for-ethanol mandate. They have cited the drought, the severe shortage of corn and other livestock feed, and the pricing chaos, now ruining producers, and hitting consumers



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Rep. Bob Goodlatte (R-Va.) announces the Renewable Fuel Standard Reform Act, at a press conference at the Capitol April 10.

alike. The first appeal was on July 30, 2012 from dozens of organizations. Obama first ignored their petitions; then, after his re-election, rejected them officially through the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

What the Bill Says

The April 10 statement summarizes the policy changes the legislators intend to make with the new bill. Here are excerpts:

“The RFS Reform Act will eliminate corn-based ethanol requirements, cap the amount of ethanol that can be blended into conventional gasoline at 10 percent, and require the EPA to set cellulosic biofuels levels at production levels. [The Obama Administration is pushing wild schemes and mandates for “energy cane,” inedible oilseed bio-diesel, etc.—ed.] Renewable fuels play an important role in our energy policy but should compete fairly in the marketplace. This legislation will bring the fundamental reform this unworkable federal policy needs now.”

The statement also identifies key aspects of today’s crisis, which the biofuel policy is exacerbating:

“The Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) mandates that 36 billion gallons of renewable fuels be part of our nation’s fuel supply by 2022. Almost all of this is currently being fulfilled by corn ethanol. In 2011, five billion bushels of the corn supply was used for ethanol—equal to nearly 40 percent of the U.S. corn crop. While the RFS is causing food prices to go up, the RFS has not

provided relief for consumers at the pump. In fact, citing the RFS, the EPA is setting the target for refiners to blend cellulosic biofuels into gasoline higher than the amount of cellulosic biofuels that exists.”

An Impassioned Plea

Among those who spoke at the press conference was Rep. David Valadao (R-Calif.), a dairyman and first term Congressman. Valadao stated: “Unnecessary government interference can have devastating consequences that hurt America’s farmers and families. As a dairyman from one of the largest agriculture districts in the United States, I have witnessed firsthand, the negative impact of Renewable Fuel Standard Mandates that are largely fulfilled by corn. These mandates increase feed costs for farmers, making it more expensive to raise livestock. These costs are then passed down to the consumer.

“Additionally, Renewable Fuel Standard Mandates ultimately divert precious arable land that once produced a variety of crops, to the sole production of corn for the production of ethanol. Reductions in available farm acreage also lead to increased costs at the grocery store for families in the Central Valley. The most recent U.S. Census reported a poverty rate of 14.4 percent in

California, the highest of any state in the country. Even more disturbingly, my district in the Central Valley suffers from a 21.9 percent poverty rate.

“By reforming ethanol subsidies and unnecessary bureaucratic influence, we can reduce food costs and ensure [that] Americans across the country have access to quality, affordable food.”

At one point, Valadao departed from his written text, to say that using food for fuel was “taking food out of the mouths” of those people who don’t have enough to eat. The world is watching us, he said. He might also have spoken about the destruction of food-producing capacity, as reflected in the fact that 103 of California’s 1,600 remaining dairy farms went bankrupt in 2012.

The 40 organizations backing the new bill included all the major farm commodity and food-processing associations, as well as many others. Among them are the Milk Producers Council, the National Cattlemen’s Beef Association, the National Chicken Council, the American Meat Institute, and the National Turkey Federation.

Unfortunately, many of the farmer organizations remain wedded to “biofuels” as a form of fool’s gold. A competent farm policy, based on parity pricing, would go a long way to solving that problem.

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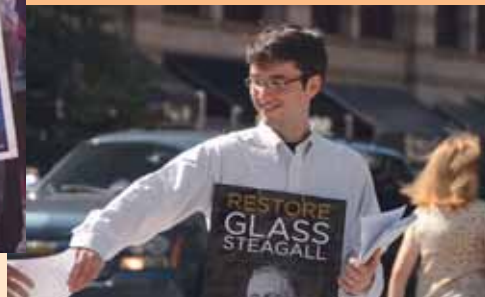


“The point is, we need Glass-Steagall immediately. We need it because that’s our only insurance to save the nation.... Get Glass-Steagall in, and we can work our way to solve the other things that need to be cleaned up. If we don’t get Glass-Steagall in first, we’re in a mess!”

—Lyndon LaRouche, Feb. 11, 2013



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Obama's Lies About Drone Kills Exposed

by Edward Spannaus

April 15—The claim by President Obama and senior Administration officials, that U.S. drone strikes only target top leaders of al-Qaeda and associated forces who are planning attacks on the United States, has been shown again to be an outright lie—and one that has serious national security implications for the United States.

On April 9, McClatchy newspapers published a report by Jonathan Landay, based on a study of top-secret U.S. intelligence, reporting on CIA drone strikes in the Pakistan tribal areas bordering Afghanistan during the 2006-08 and the 2010-11 time periods, with an emphasis on the latter period during which Obama dramatically escalated the drone campaign.

Landay's evaluation is that very few of those killed by drone strikes were actually al-Qaeda leaders, and that much of the time, drone operators had no idea whom they were killing.

Among the findings of the report:

"At least 265 of up to 482 people who the U.S. intelligence reports estimated the CIA killed during a 12-month period ending in September 2011 were not senior al Qaeda leaders but instead were 'assessed' as Afghan, Pakistani and unknown extremists. Drones killed only six top al Qaeda leaders in those months, according to news media accounts.

"Forty-three of 95 drone strikes reviewed for that period hit groups other than al Qaeda, including the Haqqani network, several Pakistani Taliban factions and the unidentified individuals described only as 'foreign fighters' and 'other militants.'

"At other times, the CIA killed people who only were suspected, associated with, or who probably belonged to militant groups."

The report also notes: "[T]he Obama administration ... has never acknowledged the use of so-called 'signature strikes,' in which unidentified individuals are killed after surveillance shows behavior the U.S. government associates with terrorists, such as visiting compounds linked to al Qaeda leaders or carrying weapons. Nor has it disclosed an explicit list of al Qaeda's 'associated forces' beyond the Afghan Taliban."

Obama's Lies

The publication of the McClatchy report has elicited unusually strong denunciations of Obama's policy from even establishment figures, such as the Council on Foreign Relations' Micah Zenko, who stated on April 10, that Landay's study "is the most important reporting on U.S. drone strikes to date because Landay, using U.S. government assessments, plainly demonstrates that the claim repeatedly made by President Obama and his senior aides—that targeted killings are limited only to officials, members, and affiliates of al Qaeda who pose an imminent threat of attack on the U.S. homeland—is false."

Obama has repeatedly stated that he has only authorized CIA drone strikes against "specific senior operational leaders of al Qaeda and associated forces" who were involved in the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks, or who are plotting "imminent" violent attacks against Americans. Landay quotes Obama in a Sept. 6, 2012 CNN interview: "It has to be a threat that is serious and not speculative. ... It has to be a situation in which we can't capture the individual before they move forward on some sort of operational plot against the United States."

Obama's former counter-terrorism advisor, now-CIA Director, John Brennan, has given the most detailed explanation of the U.S. drone program, Landay notes, citing an April 30, 2012 speech in which he referred to al-Qaeda 73 times, the Afghan Taliban 3 times, and didn't mention any other group. "We only authorize a particular operation against a specific individual if we have a high degree of confidence that the individual being targeted is indeed the terrorist we are pursuing," Brennan lied. Zenko quotes other Administration officials, such as Attorney General Eric Holder and State Department Legal Advisor Harold Koh, also saying the U.S. targets are senior al-Qaeda leaders who are planning imminent attacks on the United States.

Who Is Being Killed?

The fact is that often the CIA—and the military's Joint Special Operations Command (JSOC), which runs its own, parallel drone program—have no idea whom they are killing. So-called "signature strikes" are based on patterns of behavior, not individual identification. Allegedly suspicious behavior, such as trucks traveling together, or proximity to suspected terrorist strongholds or gathering points, is sufficient to target such individuals. Landay points out that the reports he studied, "reveal a breadth of targeting that is compli-

cated by the culture in the restive region of Pakistan where militants and ordinary tribesmen dress the same, and carrying a weapon is part of the centuries-old tradition of the Pashtun ethnic group.”

Glenn Greenwald, in his review of the McClatchy report, published in the April 11 *Guardian*, recalls that the *New York Times* once reported that the joke around the State Department was that “when the CIA ‘sees three guys doing jumping jacks,’ the agency thinks it is a terrorist training camp,” and that “men loading a truck with fertilizer could be bombmakers—but they might also be farmers.”

The CFR’s Zenko notes the Administration’s claims are belied by the fact that, already in the Summer of 2008, when the Bush Administration first authorized signature strikes in Pakistan, “the vast majority of drone-strike victims were from groups focused on establishing some form of Sharia law, attacking Pakistani security forces, and destabilizing Afghanistan by supporting the Taliban and attacking U.S. service members.” Zenko adds that “The United States essentially replicated the Vietnam War strategy of bombing the Vietcong’s safe haven in Cambodia.” And this also means, as Zenko has pointed out, that the CIA and JSOC are operating “as a counterinsurgency arm of the Pakistani air force.”

The Haqqani network, headed by Jalaluddin Haqqani, an aging former anti-Soviet guerrilla fighter and minister in the Taliban regime in Afghanistan, has been among the groups prominently targeted for U.S. drone strikes in Pakistan, Landay notes, but it was not designated as a terrorist group by the U.S. during the period covered by the reports, nor has it ever been implicated in a plot against the U.S. homeland. In the one-year period ending in September 2011, the Obama Administration launched at least 15 airstrikes against the Haqqani network, or locations associated with it, killing at least 96 people.

The vagueness of intelligence on those killed in air strikes is also shown by Landay, who writes that the reports he reviewed, “estimated that the CIA killed scores of other individuals in 2010 and 2011 in strikes on other non-al Qaeda groups categorized as suspected extremists and unidentified ‘foreign fighters,’ or ‘other militants.’ Some died in what appeared to be signature strikes, their vehicles blown to pieces sometimes only a few days after being monitored visiting the sites of earlier drone attacks, or driving between compounds linked to al Qaeda or other groups.”

Blowback

Obama’s enthusiastic escalation of the drone-kilings, which were begun, on a much more limited scale, by the Bush-Cheney Administration, does not enhance U.S. national security, as he and his backers from both parties claim. Rather, he is putting the nation in peril in at least two crucial respects:

First, the indiscriminate use of air strikes and their high civilian casualties, are creating many more enemies for the United States, than they are eliminating.¹

Second, they are setting a precedent for other countries to justify their own killings of perceived enemies, which will come back to haunt the United States. “Other governments won’t just emulate U.S. practice but (will adopt) America’s justification for targeted killings,” Landay quotes Micah Zenko as saying. “When there is such a disconnect between who the administration says it kills and who it (actually) kills, that hypocrisy itself is a very dangerous precedent that other countries will emulate.”

1. See Edward Spannaus, “Drone Strikes as Strategic Folly: Obama Is al-Qaeda’s No. 1 Recruiter,” *EIR*, Jan. 18, 2013.



The Al-Qaeda Executive

Financed and deployed by the British-Saudi Empire, al-Qaeda has been protected by the Obama Administration to accomplish the Empire's global war. In this feature [video](#), LaRouchePAC documents President Obama's use of the al-Qaeda networks to overthrow Qaddafi in Libya, and to carry out bloody regime-change against Assad in Syria, by the same forces who attacked the U.S. consulate in Benghazi.

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Economics in Brief

Obamacare

Americans Lose Health Care Along with Jobs

April 12—The Chairman of Subcommittee on Health of the House Ways and Means Committee, Rep. Kevin Brady (R-Tex.), repeatedly tore into President Obama's killer health-care program, and into Health and Human Services Secretary Katherine Sebelius today, over the fact that 25 million Americans will *lose* their health care insurance because they are losing their full-time jobs. Brady made the jobs issue the center of the attack on Obamacare, in his opening statement, and repeatedly during the two-hour hearing, where Sebelius evaded answering questions about the cuts in Medicare and other programs for the poor and elderly.

Brady hit Sebelius with her earlier admission that "almost 25 million Americans will lose the insurance they get at work," and he added that, in addition to these 25 million who will be unemployed in the next year, "to add insult to injury, as our economy continues to struggle ... millions of Americans have given up looking for work." Brady also said that America's unemployed are more likely to get food stamps than to get a full-time job. Unfortunately, Chained CPI, and the cuts in cancer treatments due to the sequester were never raised, despite the growing protest movement against them.

NASA

White House Budget Slams Planetary Science

April 11—The FY 14 budget for NASA, released yesterday by the White House, brings planetary-science funding down to the level that it was in 2007, and starts none of the space-science missions that have been designated as priorities by the National Academy of Sciences. Missions already under development will continue, but the future looks bleak. From the \$1.5

billion that planetary-science programs received in 2012, the request for the next fiscal year is \$1.2 billion.

Following the uproar from the scientific community a year ago, when the Mars exploration budget was slashed by 40%, the Administration threw it a bone by proposing that a "Curiosity-type" rover be developed for a 2020 launch to Mars. This would be "cheaper" than the operating rover, it was proposed, because it will use "spare parts" from Curiosity.

Now, it is revealed that one of the major innovations on Curiosity—using a nuclear isotope for power, rather than solar panels—will not be used on the 2020 rover. Not only does its nuclear source allow it operate 24/7, regardless of the time of day or season, Curiosity's power system provides its science experiments with 2,700 watt-hours per day of electricity, as compared to about a third of that on the solar-powered Opportunity rover. It is pure sophistry to claim that this will be "another" Curiosity.

During the press briefing, NASA Administrator Charles Bolden admitted that the cuts were based on a demand that the agency be "more frugal." Not so frugal, however, is the more than \$800 million requested for commercial companies to develop "privately funded" (and, heavily NASA-subsidized) transportation to the space station. Every year, Congress has cut the requested amount by half, which it will most likely do again, with the current budget.

Banking

Big Banks Are Partying Like It's 2006

April 11—A *New York Times* DealBook blog posting today describes in detail how the largest international banks are "distributing risk" of their assets via credit default swap (CDS)-type derivatives, repo agreements, and off-balance-sheet entities.

"Seeking Relief, Banks Shift Risk to Murkier Corners," could have been writ-

ten at any time between 2003 and early 2007, to describe the merriments of debt securitization and the "distribution of risk" of potentially toxic assets to pension funds, hedge funds, mutual funds, etc. The piece points out, with the benefit of recent hindsight, that all these "innovative financial products" wound up blowing "risk" like shrapnel through whole regions of the global financial system.

In other words, unrestrained by Glass-Steagall, the big banks are blowing all the same bubbles—junk bonds, leveraged loans, buyout loans, derivatives—at even faster rates of expansion than they did 5-10 years ago, and heading straight for an even bigger financial blowout.

IMF

QE Not Inflationary, So Damn the Torpedoes

April 10—The International Monetary Fund (IMF) is about to publish its annual World Economic Outlook, and in one of the chapters that was just pre-released, the authors reach the happy conclusion that "billions of [British] pounds of QE [are] unlikely to cause inflation," as today's *Telegraph* put it. The reason, they assert, is that inflation is not caused by wild speculation, monetary incontinence, collapse of the physical economy, or even price rises, for that matter—as some might think—but rather by unwarranted "expectations." And since "expectations" are at a reasonable level, "any temporary over-stimulation of the economy ... is likely to have only small effects on inflation."

The *Telegraph* notes that British Chancellor of the Exchequer George Osborne will be very happy to hear this, since he is waiting with bated breath for Mark Carney to come in as head of the Bank of England in July, because "Carney has indicated he is willing to take radical action to revive growth in the UK," i.e., to launch full-tilt QE.

On the same note, IMF head Christine Lagarde praised Japan's huge new QE as "a welcome step."

WAR DANGER GROWS

Obama Goes for Confrontation; Empire Plays 'Korean Roulette'

by Jeffrey Steinberg

April 16—While Russia's Deputy Prime Minister Dmitri Rogozin was urging global cooperation on asteroid defense as a way out of the conflict over the U.S. Eurasian missile-defense policy, the Obama Administration was continuing its push for global confrontation, sinking deeper into a British trap, despite the best of war-avoidance efforts from inside the U.S. defense and security establishment.

The call for President Obama to intensify the confrontation in North Asia, predictably, came from the editors of the British Crown's flagship *Economist* magazine of April 6-12, with a cover image of North Korean leader Kim Jong-un reaching for the nuclear button, and a lead editorial headlined "Korean Roulette." The editors demanded, "Kim Jong Un has raised the stakes; it is time to get tougher with the nastiest regime on the planet... The imperative now is to face down Mr Kim.... Other rogue regimes and would-be nuclear proliferators, such as Iran, need to know that actions have consequences." The editors praised Obama for deploying B-2 bombers capable of carrying nuclear payloads over South Korea, and demanded that China be forced to impose harsher sanctions against the North.

U.S. intelligence sources have confirmed that the United States has quietly put a full nuclear deterrent in place in and around Korea, including the forward deployment of Ohio-class submarines armed with nuclear warheads.

The word from London was echoed on Capitol Hill via a convoluted leak of a segment of a classified De-

fense Intelligence Agency (DIA) assessment that North Korea had already developed a crude nuclear warhead for its missiles. On April 11, during a House Armed Services Committee hearing, featuring Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman Gen. Martin Dempsey and Secretary of Defense Chuck Hagel, Rep. Doug Lamborn (R-Colo.) quoted from a declassified portion of a DIA memo that read, "DIA assesses with moderate confidence the North currently has nuclear weapons capable of delivery by ballistic missiles, however the reliability will be low." Dempsey chose not to comment, telling the committee that the report had not been made public, and that he had not seen it.

Later that evening, both the Pentagon and the Director of National Intelligence, Gen. James Clapper, disputed the DIA finding. Pentagon spokesman George Little declared, "It would be inaccurate to suggest that the North Korean regime has fully tested, developed, or demonstrated the kinds of nuclear capabilities referenced in the passage. Clapper added, "Moreover, North Korea has not yet demonstrated the full range of capabilities necessary for a nuclear armed missile."

These dramatics were playing out in London and Washington as actual tensions in North Asia were reaching a dangerous level, such that any little incident could trigger an out-of-control conflict. Secretary of State John Kerry arrived in Seoul on April 11 for meetings with top R.O.K. officials, including President Park Chung-hee and Foreign Minister Yun Byung-Se. While Kerry declared that the United States preferred a return

to a nuclear-free Korean peninsula, he warned that North Korea would be making a “huge mistake,” if the regime conducted a missile or nuclear bomb test.

Japan compounded the war danger the following day, with the announcement by Defense Minister Itsunori Onodera that the country would permanently deploy Patriot PAC-3 missile defense batteries to Okinawa, well ahead of the scheduled 2014 deployment date.

Upon his arrival in Beijing from Seoul, Kerry played a carrot-and-stick game with the Chinese leadership, by “offering” to scale back U.S. ballistic missile defense deployments into the Asia-Pacific, if China succeeded in getting Pyongyang to dismantle its entire nuclear program.

The new Chinese government of President Xi Jinping has been attempting to cool out the Korean crisis, maintaining regular contact with both the North Korean and American governments. The Chinese delivered a pointed warning to the Obama Administration last week, prior to the Kerry visit, that the U.S. actions were being seen in Pyongyang as war provocations that were likely to trigger an incident, or a possible larger conflict. Hagel announced that the U.S. would delay a scheduled missile defense test, and would reduce the threatening rhetoric, in an effort to create a possible window for a diplomatic walk-back from the brink. Both Beijing and Moscow took positive note of the U.S. gesture.

Making clear that it has no interest in a second Korean war, the official Chinese Communist Party newspaper, *People's Daily*, published an editorial April 11 under the headline “Words to Four Nations.” The editorial urged all parties to step down from the confrontation. The message to Washington was particularly sharp: “Do not add fuel to the flames.... [T]he United States, as a superpower whose comprehensive national and military strength is far stronger than the DPRK's, is in a strong position; therefore, any strong move will only increase tension on the peninsula.”

The editorial also warned Japan, “Do not fish in troubled waters,” and urged the new South Korean government to follow through with campaign pledges to improve relations with the North. Pyongyang was not exempted from criticism, with China warning that “if its choices and words intensify Korean Peninsula tensions and affect peace and stability in the region, they become international issues.”

Western media, led by the *New York Times*, tried to spin the Chinese statements into a break with Pyong-

yang, but behind the scenes, U.S. military and intelligence officials were clear that China was attempting to avoid a major conflict, while defending its longtime ally. Chinese officials, including top Peoples Liberation Army officers, have made clear to visiting American delegations that Beijing will not allow the North Korean regime to collapse.

The Syrian Quagmire

The situation in Southwest Asia has also further disintegrated in the past week. According to senior intelligence officials, the U.S. is being dragged deeper into the military quagmire in Syria. The Obama Administration is reviewing options for more direct military involvement, following a series of high-profile statements from leading Senators, including Carl Levin (D-Mich.), Chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, and Robert Menendez (D-N.J.), Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, both demanding more direct U.S. military aid to the rebels, and Levin calling for the establishment of a no-fly zone over northern and southern Syria.

In London for a G-8 foreign ministers meeting on April 10, Kerry and British Foreign Secretary William Hague met with the so-called “prime minister” of the Syrian opposition, Ghassan Hitto. Kerry used the occasion to announce additional “non-lethal” military assistance to the rebels.

Ever since Obama declared in March 2011 that “Assad must go,” Washington has been scrambling for a strategy to put the President's words into action. However, Washington has been literally out-gunned by Saudi Arabia, the U.A.E., and Qatar, which have poured massive amounts of money and weapons into the hands of armed Islamist factions of the opposition, who have a commanding position over nominal “secular” opponents of the Assad regime.

On April 9, Bruce Reidel, a retired career CIA officer and national security aide to Obama, warned that the al-Nusra Front, the Syrian arm of al-Qaeda, was by far the most effective fighting force, and would pose serious security problems for key U.S. allies, including Israel and Jordan.

Days later, al-Qaeda in Iraq announced a merger with al-Nusra, establishing an Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant. Reidel revealed that a terrorist offensive had been foiled at the last moment in Jordan in October 2012, just weeks after the Sept. 11, 2012 attack in Benghazi, Libya.

India's Trouncing of Big Pharma Is a Victory for the World's Poor

by Ramtanu Maitra

April 7—On April 1, big multinational pharmaceuticals with big money and clout got a black eye in India, when that country's highest court turned down an appeal from the Swiss pharmaceutical company Novartis to patent an updated version of its cancer drug, Gleevec (known as Glivec in the United States). Novartis was denied a patent by the Indian authorities on the grounds that the new version was insignificantly different from the old. The Supreme Court cited Section 3(d) of the Indian Patents Act of 2005, which allows new forms of existing drug formulations to be patented *only if they result in increased efficacy*.

Furthermore, last month the Intellectual Property Appellate Board (IPAB) upheld the decision to award compulsory license¹ to Natco, an Indian generic drug manufacturer, to manufacture the German multinational pharmaceutical company Bayer's cancer drug Nexavar at a significantly reduced price. The decision was taken following an appeal filed by Bayer Corporation against the Union of India, the Controller of Patents, and Natco, against the exclusive license issued to the generic drug manufacturer in March 2012.

The decision has global significance: Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF)/Doctors without Borders, which relies on India to supply 80% of the generic HIV drugs it distributes in developing countries, describes India as the "pharmacy of the developing world," according to an April 1 statement on its website.

1. Section 84 of the Indian Patent Act says that at any time after the expiration of three years from the date of the grant of a patent, any person interested may make an application to the Controller for grant of compulsory license on patent on any of the following grounds:

1. that the reasonable requirements of the public with respect to the patented invention have not been satisfied, or,
2. that the patented invention is not available to the public at a reasonably affordable price, or,
3. that the patented invention is not worked in the territory of India.

The IPAB ruled that Bayer had violated the second and third terms of Section 84.

Big Pharma's Muscle-Flexing Resisted

These decisions have been welcomed widely within India, where millions of poor and middle-class families will now have access to these life-saving drugs. For instance, in India, one version of generic Gleevec is available under the name of Imatib, manufactured and marketed by a leading Indian company, Cipla. Its retail price is only Rs300 (about US\$6) for each 400 mg tablet; Novartis's Gleevec 400 mg tablets cost Rs3,000 (about US\$60), about 10 times as much.

The decision by the Indian Supreme Court on Gleevec was hailed as a landmark victory, since it provides patients of weaker financial means access to affordable medicines throughout the developing countries.

"This is a huge relief for the millions of patients and doctors in developing countries who depend on affordable medicines from India, and for treatment providers like MSF," said Dr. Unni Karunakara, MSF International President. "The Supreme Court's decision now makes patents on the medicines that we desperately need less likely. This marks the strongest possible signal to Novartis and other multinational pharmaceutical companies that they should stop seeking to attack the Indian patent law."

The Court's decision was also welcomed by Y.K. Sapru of Cancer Patients Aid Association (CPAA), which had opposed Novartis's patent application. Sapru said, "We are very happy that the Apex Court has recognized the right of patients to access affordable medicines over profits for big pharmaceutical companies through patents. Our access to affordable treatment will not be possible if the medicines are patented. It is a huge victory for human rights."

Loon Gangte of the Delhi Network of Positive People (DNP+) was quoted on Pharmabiz.com April 3: "We are extremely pleased and relieved that the Supreme Court has recognized the public health importance of Section 3(d)."



India's High Court decision will mean that hundreds of millions of poor people will receive the drugs they need. Here, a pharmacy in Ranikhet, India dispenses medications.

Importantly, the Court's decision also drew the guarded support of Brian Druker, director, Knight Cancer Institute at Oregon Health and Sciences University, the man who invented the molecule imatinib, the precursor to Gleevec, as a promising anti-cancer compound in the 1990s. "This patent decision clearly makes more affordable drugs available immediately and this is good for patients in the short term," Druker said in an e-mail response to the Indian daily *Business Standard*. "I have consistently spoken out about what I view as the high price of drugs, but if we too severely restrict the price of medications, we may lose the ability to invest in new drugs," he added.

Over the decades, India has developed a strong drug-manufacturing base, which has developed the ability to manufacture cheaper drugs. Although Brazil, Canada, China, Singapore, and South Africa also manufacture generic drugs, India is by far the biggest producer. Indian pharmaceutical companies also make generic versions of the raw ingredients and chemicals used in the drugs' manufacture. India exports two-thirds of its pharmaceutical output to developing countries, according to the World Health Organization (WHO). Generic competition fueled by Indian drugs has been largely responsible for reducing the prices of antiretroviral drugs used to treat AIDS, in some cases by as much as 98%.

Last year, when the Indian patent office allowed generic drug-maker Natco Pharma to sell generic Nexa-

var, the cost for a month's treatment at the time was Rs8,800 (about \$176)—a fraction of Bayer's price of Rs280,000 (about \$5,600). It is likely that in the coming months and years, more Indian generic firms will manufacture by Nexavar, bringing down the price even further. This trend is already evident.

For instance, Cipla, one of the biggest Indian pharmaceutical companies, today announced that it has reduced the price of the generic drug Soranib (used for the treatment of primary kidney cancer and advanced

primary liver cancer), from Rs28,000 (about \$560) to Rs6,840 (about \$137), a decrease of almost 80%. Cipla also slashed the price of its lung cancer drug Gestrinib by almost 60%.

It also cut the price of the brain tumor drug Temozolamide for all three strengths in which it is produced. While the price of the 20 mg 5-capsule pack has been cut from Rs1,875 (about \$33.50) to Rs480 (about \$9.60), the price of the 100 mg strength has been brought down from Rs8,900 (about \$178) to Rs2,400 (about \$48). The price of the 250 mg 5-capsule Temozolamide has been reduced to Rs5,000 (about \$100), from a high of Rs20,250 (about \$405). Cipla added that it might slash the prices of other cancer drugs as well. In March, Swiss pharma giant Roche announced that it intended to sell cut-price versions of two of its major cancer drugs in India.

Should the Poor Be Allowed To Live?

Big pharma people are upset, and so are a few others. Some have expressed concerns that the multinational pharmaceuticals will shun India in the future and set up their R&D facilities elsewhere. But these individuals are in the minority. By protesting against the Court's decision, what the proponents of Big Pharma's rights are contesting is Section 3(d) of the modified Indian Patent Law of 2005.

The Novartis lawsuit is the first legal challenge to the most controversial safeguard, a provision against



The Swiss Pharma-giant Novartis was slapped down by the Indian Supreme Court in its attempt to patent an updated version of its cancer drug Gleevec. Instead, generics, such as the Indian drug manufacturer Cipla can continue to produce and sell its vastly cheaper generic Imatib to the poor of India and other developing countries.



“ever-greening”—which targets attempts to patent minor improvements to old drugs and thus slap on a much higher price. Section 3(d) intervenes in that effort, and forbids the patenting of derivative forms of known substances (e.g., salts, polymorphs, metabolites, and isomers), unless they are substantially more effective than the known substance. Novartis had asked the Chennai High Court in 2006 to strike down this section as inconsistent with the WTO’s Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property (TRIPS), which requires that patentable inventions be new and involve an “inventive step.”

Section 3(d) states that the mere discovery of a new form of a known substance which does not result in the enhancement of the known efficacy of that substance, or the mere discovery of any new property or new use for a known substance, or the mere use of a known process, machine, or apparatus unless such process results in a new product or employs at least one new reactant, is not a valid reason for a patent.

In that context, the Court decision of 2006 was very specific. It said efficacy is a pharmacological idea associated with the ability of a drug to produce a desired

therapeutic effect independent of potency, i.e., “healing of disease.” And, the IPAB Board had noted, with respect to enhanced efficacy, that “it is not possible to quantify this term by any general formula,” and that an assessment would “vary from case to case.” In revisiting these readings, the Supreme Court also had the views of Shamnad Basheer (as an intervenor-cum-amicus) and Anand Grover (counsel for the Cancer Patients Aid Association). The latter had argued for a strict reading of 3(d) which would see efficacy entirely in pharmacological terms.

While Basheer agreed that all advantageous properties may not qualify under 3(d), he held that increased safety and reduced toxicity should be seen favorably. As Dwijen Rangnekar wrote in *The Hindu* April 3, even as the Supreme Court recalled the concerns that led to the adoption of 3(d)—thus, urging a “strict and narrow reading” for medicines—it preferred to delay definitive pronouncement and allow for jurisprudence to develop on this matter. Yet, it is firm in noting that enhancements in the “physical properties” of a product would render a patent application in violation of 3(d).

Will the U.S. Learn a Lesson?

IPAB's decision to allow exclusive licensing of Nexavar has caused an international uproar. Eric S. Langer, in his article, "Understanding India's New Patent Laws: Did the 2005 Patents Act Engender a Western Intellectual Property Rights Culture in the Country?," published April 1, 2008, in *BioPharm International*, wrote that exclusive licensing is a tool that strikes at the heart of the patent system. It is an effective measure to restrict patent exclusivity; it strikes a balance between health concerns and access to life-saving drugs, and financial concerns based on the claim that restricting patents will suppress innovation. The article states:

"The recent fight over the revised Act in India brought compulsory licensing to the forefront, and the country fought for the provision to remain in effect. The generics industry has been strong for years now. Whether or not the provision is much used, the strategic compromise allowing it to remain in the revised Act, even with the restrictions, is crucial for both sides to claim success. World health bodies are assured their supply of cheaper drugs will not dry up. Industry is content because increased patent protection is anticipated to bring foreign investment to India, regardless of the existence of the compulsory licensing provision.

"The United States can learn from India's compromise. The U.S. pharmaceutical industry is slowly becoming less efficient in its product development—spending more but producing drugs that are not much more effective. Consumer frustration with high prices of prescription drugs continues to increase. Compulsory licensing would increase competition through lowering barriers to entry in the market. Increased competition could lead to lower prices, as in India where the generics market is strong. More substitutes would decrease the informational problems between consumers, physicians, and manufacturers.

"Most importantly, a compulsory licensing provision in the United States would raise consumer confidence in the patent system, bridging the gap between consumer access and industry innovation. It adds an element of transparency that promotes cooperation between industry and consumers. Industry representatives in India are confident about future prospects due to increased patent protection and do not anticipate the compulsory licensing provision eliminating its chance of success. The United States should also adopt the view that a compulsory licensing provision will not destroy pharmaceutical industry profitability but will pro-

mote competition and increase consumer confidence in the entire system."

Accommodating to the WTO

Despite these two landmark decisions, which would provide the poor greater access to cheaper drugs and strengthen India's generic drug-manufacturing base, India's patent laws have been heavily compromised in recent years to accommodate the diktat of the WTO. Analysts point out that the muscle that the Indian pharmaceutical industry has acquired was primarily a result of the Indian Patents Act of 1970, which came into force in 1972.

That Act was part of a wider set of policies of the Government of India at the time, to develop a "self-reliant" pharmaceutical industry; the impulse behind it was the commitment to national sovereignty, and the determination to aid the billions of poor in developing nations. That commitment is now weakened by the shift India made in 2005 to obeisance to the WTO globalizers. The 1970 Act provided for product patents for all inventions, except for food, medicine, drugs, and substances produced by chemical processes. For the latter category, only the process patent was granted. The patent term was also reduced from 16 years to 5 years from the date of patent approval, or 7 years from the date of application, whichever was earlier.

The 1970 Patent Law was a point of contention for the Big Pharma companies. They endlessly bickered, and applied their money-muscle, using the WTO and other international institutions dominated by the West, charging that countries like India use exclusive licensing to enhance commercial interests through increased exports, under the pretext of improving public health. Others pointed out that, although India's market did profit from exports, in reality, the government was committed to people's health interests. India's National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) was created in 1986 to control the prices of a list of drugs—again, to allow access by the poor.

But, that was then, before New Delhi came under the spell of globalizers and reformers; now it is dancing to the tune of international Mammon-worshipping institutions. When the 1970 Patent Law took effect, India had a slow rate of economic growth, but had developed its economic base, such as in food self-sufficiency, to ensure some protection to the poor.

With the advent of "reformers" and globalizers,

such as the present Prime Minister, Manmohan Singh, and his handful of henchmen, it is evident that all those measures will come under attack, and the reformers and globalizers will continue to weaken that infrastructure until the product satisfies the wheelers and dealers of various international institutions.

The most notable amendment in the Patents (Amendment) Act of 2005 is the deletion of Section 5 of the 1970 Act, which granted process patents to the innovators of new food, medicine, drugs, and substances produced by chemical process. The new Act also provides protection for 20 years for all categories of inventions, except those excluded under Section 3, the one that allows patents only for new forms of existing drug formulations, if they result in increased efficacy. The Act further affirms that the sellers of already approved generic drugs in India will now have to pay licensing fees. Under the new regime, local drug makers will have to apply for a license to manufacture patented drugs after paying a “reasonable” royalty to patent holders, if they had been making them after January 1995.

As a result of the 2005 Act, a number of Indian drug companies have begun to attach themselves to Big Pharma, and because of the maturity of India’s drug-manufacturing infrastructure, and low wages, some of these pharmaceuticals are surely heading towards producing drugs for Big Pharma at much higher prices. The international patent laws allow countries to issue exclusive licenses to make or buy generics during a national health emergency.

What worries at least one Indian bio-scientist, and rightly so, is that if India were to declare a national health emergency in the future, there would be few domestic firms left to make generics in sufficient amounts, as happened a few years ago in the U.S. with influenza anti-virals.

A discussion paper by India’s Commerce Ministry, in November 2010, cautioned, “There is a concern that their [Indian drug firms’] take-over by multinationals will further orient them away from the Indian market, thus reducing domestic availability of the drugs being produced by them. This may weaken competition leading to headroom for increase in domestic drug prices.”

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Hans Christian Andersen, ‘Poetry’s California,’ and Scientific Optimism

by Michelle Rasmussen

If children today were told that a beloved writer of fantasy stories and fairy tales was also the friend and collaborator of one of the world’s greatest scientists, what would they expect the outcome to be? Perhaps a new video-game that combines fantasy with sci-fi and the latest “cool” technology?

The mind of the Danish storyteller Hans Christian Andersen, whose stories are known the world over, points our way to a totally different conception: that science is “Poetry’s California” (referring to the Gold Rush of 1848-55), offering both the poet and the scientist a path to the future. If our society is to escape the stranglehold of the past—its web of speculative debt leading to economic collapse, and geopolitical power games leading to war—we must cast off the shroud of cultural pessimism, the anti-science, anti-growth ideology, and replace it with cultural and scientific optimism.

To aid us in our quest, let Hans Christian Andersen be our guide.

But first, let us make a detour to visit Lyndon LaRouche. The centerpiece of LaRouche’s economic thought is that human creativity is the source of progress. Scientific and artistic discovery are the two inseparable, interwoven domains most reflective of the human ability to create new ideas—the realm of the imagination. Making the possible actual—transforming our spiritual thoughts into material progress—in turn, creates the conditions to develop our entire population’s creative abilities.

LaRouche stresses that mankind is the only species that reflects the Creator’s ability to look into the future. On the one side, we see the present from the eyes of the future. What do we need to discover in order to get to that future place we imagine? And, on the other side, what will enable us to imagine the future realiza-

tion of the discoveries of the present?

The future lives in the imagination—it is here we must seek it. Now, let Hans Christian Andersen take us there.

Andersen Meets Ørsted

In the wake of Denmark’s 1813 state bankruptcy, a group of brilliant artists and scientists created a Golden Age. A significant role was played by the collaboration between Hans Christian Ørsted (1777-1851), the discoverer of electromagnetism, and a young, creative, poetic soul, whose fairy tales would become an immortal contribution to world literature, Hans Christian Andersen (1805-1875).¹

Ørsted was convinced that scientific discovery could and should be a subject of poetical expression. In Andersen, Ørsted found his instrument to accomplish that, infusing the younger man with scientific and technological optimism as a wellspring of poetical inspiration. And, as a guidepost, Ørsted wrote in Andersen’s album:

“Reason within Reason = the Truth;

“Reason within the Will = the Good;

“Reason within the Imagination = the Beautiful.”²

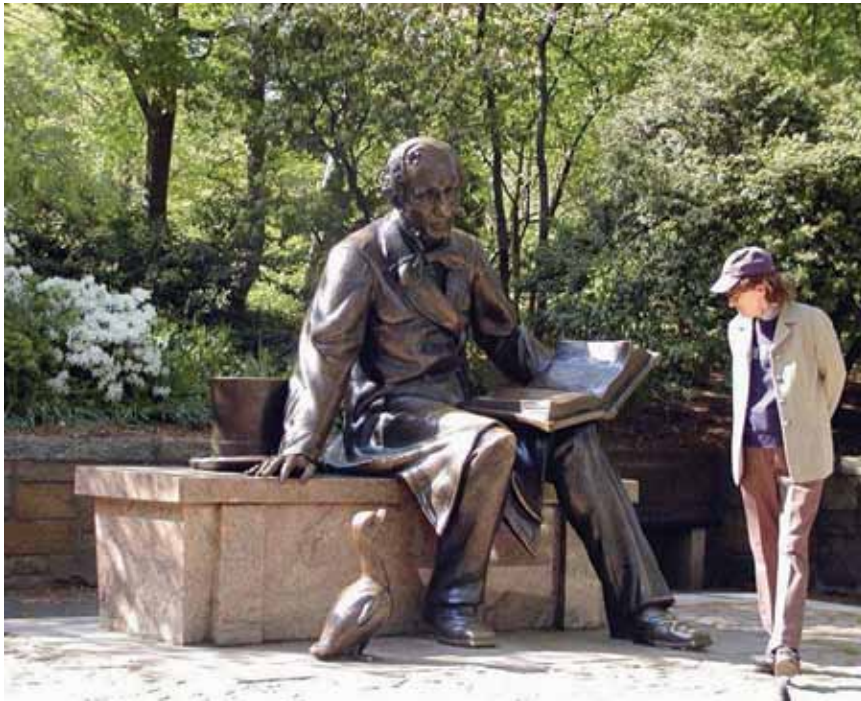
Could the poet combine the True, the Good, and the Beautiful?

Andersen’s fairy tales, Ørsted thought, could “build a bridge for the people between art and science. Between belief and knowledge.”³

1. See Tom Gillesberg, “Lesson for Copenhagen Today: Hans Christian Ørsted’s Scientific Method,” [21st Century Science & Technology](#), Fall 2009.

2. April 21, 1833. *H.C. Andersen’s Album*, translated by Tom Gillesberg.

3. Jens Andersen, *Andersen, en biografi* (Copenhagen: Gyldendal, 2003), Vol. II, p. 145.



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Statue of Hans Christian Andersen (with the Ugly Duckling) in New York's Central Park. The artist was Georg John Lober.

Ørsted's and Andersen's goal was to raise the scientific, cultural, intellectual, moral, and social level of society. Andersen's role model for this was Friedrich Schiller,⁴ whose life's work is a call for the aesthetical education of man. Beauty ennobles people's emotions, enabling them to rule themselves. Thus, science could not only inspire the poet, but the poet could also spread his enthusiasm for science to the people, ennobling their powers of reason. Ørsted infected Andersen not only with the excitement of his 1820 discovery of electromagnetism, but with the whole world of science, their close relationship beginning soon after Andersen's 1819 arrival in Copenhagen, at the age of 14.

Andersen's letters, diaries, and autobiographical writings, reveal his enthusiasm for the new technological age of the steam engine, electromagnetism, the "universal, timeless beauty"⁵ of industrial machinery, railroads, the telegraph, hot-air balloons, etc. These new technologies not only sparked a passionate joy in man's ability to discover new physical principles and

inventions, but also a devotional wonder at the Creator of these natural laws.

He witnessed a demonstration of the telegraph, during which the first lines of one of his early poems, written in Elsinore, were sent to him by operators in that town; he wrote of the experience that he felt as if he were "under the beating wings of an infinitely powerful spirit."⁶ And listen to the retrospective description of his first ride on a railroad, written in 1842: "Oh, such a masterpiece of the spirit is this production! One feels so powerful, like an ancient sorcerer! We hitch our magic horse to the wagon, and space disappears; we fly like the clouds in a storm, like the flight of migratory birds! Our wild horse snorts and snuffs, the black steam rises from his nostrils."⁷

Andersen writes that in the land of poetry, the truths foretold by human reason must go hand-in-hand with the emotions and fantasy: Reason "preaches the eternal Truth, and therein lies greatness and poetry!"⁸

Here, in the link between reason and poetry, we see the glimmer of gold in what Andersen would later call "Poetry's California." In a polemic against the Danish

6. Letter to Carsten Hauch, June 3, 1853. He added: "During the past few years, I have become so very interested in science. I am convinced that had I been as aware of its magnificence twenty years ago, as I am now, I would probably have taken an avenue in life other than the one I now follow, or rather; I would have attained knowledge within such fields, that my authorship would have blossomed quite differently than is now the case. You can understand how your picture of Robert Fulton [inventor of the steamboat] has occupied me, his endeavor, his struggle, his happiness." From the original Danish and an edited [translation](#).

7. *A Poet's Bazaar* (1842), chapter on "Railroads."

8. "I can remember only a few times in my life that I felt as moved as I was on this railroad journey: thus with all my thoughts, it seemed like I beheld God face-to-face. I felt a devotion, as I have only felt as a child in church, and when older, in the Sun-illuminated forest, or on a dead-calm sea during a starlit night. In the realm of poetry, Feeling and Imagination are not the only ones that reign: they have a brother equally powerful; he is called Reason: he proclaims the eternal truth, and that is where greatness and poetry reside." Edited from the online [English version](#).

4. Andersen was fond of saying that he was born the same year that Schiller died, in 1805, and sought to carry on Schiller's tradition.

5. Jens Andersen, op. cit. (footnote 3), p. 141.

poet B.S. Ingemann's rejection of the importance of the material world for poetry, Andersen wrote that the age of discovery would not only give birth to the material, but that the material was "the necessary foundation for the spiritual, providing great branches upon which poetry may blossom."⁹

Andersen wrote a review of Ørsted's lecture on the telegraph at the Polytechnic College in 1839, published in *The Copenhagen Post*,¹⁰ and a cantata for the Scandinavian Science Researcher's last meeting in 1840. He also penned what is probably the only verse version of the Pythagorean theorem, in *The Eternal Magic of Shape: A Poetical Make-Believe*. And he met leading European scientists on his many travels.¹¹ Andersen's scientific and technological optimism shines through many of his fairy tales.¹² Read "Thousands of Years from Now" (a trip from America to Europe "on wings of steam"), "The Drop of Water" (the fascinating microscopic world), "The Bell" (about Andersen and Ørsted), "The Galoshes of Fortune" (with a discussion of the speed of light and electricity), "The Great Sea Serpent" (the laying of the trans-Atlantic telegraph cable), "Great-Grandfather" (on the telegraph, where Ørsted appears), "The Stone of the Wise Man" (on Truth, the Good, and the Beautiful), and others. (You might also read "The Old Church Bell," Andersen's fairy tale about Friedrich Schiller, written for the 100th anniversary of Schiller's birth.)

These stories, are a great antidote for today's zero-growth ideology!

Andersen's Manifesto

Now, I want to point the reader in the direction of two lesser-known works, which serve as a manifesto of Andersen's scientific outlook—a peek into the principles behind his fairy tales. The first are the chapters "Belief and Science: The Sermon about Nature" and

"Poetry's California," from the book *Pictures of Sweden*,¹³ written as Andersen read the proofs of Ørsted's *The Spirit in Nature* in 1850, which Ørsted completed just before his death. (Andersen notes that reading Ørsted's book had slowed down his literary productivity, because he was spending so much time reading scientific books.)¹⁴ The other is his novel *To Be, or Not To Be*,¹⁵ written seven years later.

A central idea in both is the tension between belief and science. Andersen's solution is to look at scientific discovery as a way to reveal God's creative powers, where belief and science form a more elevated synthesis,¹⁶ as Ørsted argued in *The Spirit in Nature* (though with a less personal God).

In "Poetry's California," Andersen touts science as a lamp lighting the way to the future, held high by the poet, "the light-bearer for times and generations." After an allegory attacking superstition and the Romantic movement, he writes:

Yes, Poetry's California lies in science!... It is not our intention that the poet shall versify scientific discoveries. The didactic poem is, and will be, in its best form, always just a mechanical doll, which does not have the freshness of life. The sunlight of science must penetrate the poet; he must perceive truth and harmony in the small, and in the immensely great, with a clear eye: it must purify and enrich the understanding and imagination, and show him new forms which will animate his words even more. Even single discoveries will cause new flight. What fairy tales the world can unfold under the microscope, when we transfer our human world thereto! Electromagnetism can be the thread of life for new comedies and novels; and how many humorous compositions will spring forth, as we, from our grain of dust, our little Earth,

9. From a [letter](#) to Henriette Wulff, June 5, 1853: "Each day I have a minor dispute with Ingemann about the significance of inventions, as he values poetry higher than science, which I do not. He admits that ours is the great age of inventions, but only at a mechanical level, a material level; I consider this to be the necessary foundation for the spiritual, providing great branches upon which poetry may blossom."

10. Jens Andersen, op. cit. (footnote 3), Vol. 1, p. 105.

11. Including French physicist Dominique Arago, Swedish chemist Jacob J. Berzelius, German chemist Justus von Liebig, and German geographer and naturalist Alexander von Humboldt.

12. Most are available in English at: http://www.andersen.sdu.dk/vaerk/herholt/index_e.html

13. In English at: <http://www.gutenberg.org/files/12313/12313-h/12313-h.htm>

14. *The Spirit in Nature* "has awakened a desire to immerse myself in science, and during the recent period, I have read a lot in that direction, which has partially interrupted my productivity," quoted in Jens Andersen, op. cit. (footnote 3), Vol. 2.

15. In English: <http://archive.org/details/tobeornottobean00andegoog>

16. As Andersen wrote in a letter to Henriette Wulff from 1855, "For me, Science exactly illuminates the divine revelation.... Our Lord can certainly bear to be seen with the healthy reason he gave us." *H. Topsøe-Jensen in Fund og Forskning*, IX, 167.

with its little haughty beings, look out into the endless universe, from Milky Way to Milky Way!¹⁷

The infinite amount of wonders that science will dig up, is a creative source even greater than the poet's own fantasy. Carrying the lamp of poetry—the heart of the poet—a new Aladdin will enter the cavern of science, he writes, and emerge with treasures to build poetry's new castle. Light and truth in everything created radiates with even more divine clarity. Follow the new Aladdin, and with he who sings the beauty of truth, wander through Poetry's California.¹⁸

The key to unleashing the creative potential of the poet, is to overcome the artificial dichotomy between art and science, and in reuniting them, to enable the herald of the future to trumpet the most advanced notions of man, the universe, and God, as Andersen's fellow poet Percy Bysshe Shelley called for in his "In Defence of Poetry."



Hans Christian Ørsted, the scientist who discovered electromagnetism, was the mentor and friend of Hans Christian Andersen.

tian, including about Goethe's *Faust*, becomes the vehicle for Andersen's discussion of science, and immortality.

One important concept in the discussions, which LaRouche's latest writings have also emphasized, is the tension between the sensual world and reason. Is reality only what we register through our senses? Or, is it in the spiritual world, the world of ideas, that we find the more fundamental principles behind the mere shadows of the sensual world? Do we look at the world piecemeal, in the here and now? Or, do we look at the whole, future-oriented, intentional developing process? Apart from the brain, is there a soul in which the creative processes occur,

the influence of which reaches beyond the grave?

Here are just two examples of the scientific visions of the future presented in the novel—the first, a foretaste of the Schiller Institute's development plan for Southwest Asia:

To Be, or Not To Be

"To be, or not to be: that is the question," says Shakespeare's Hamlet. "To be, or not to be," asks Niels Bryde in Andersen's novel about the tension between science and belief, centered on the concept of immortality. In it, Andersen wanted to fight against the materialistic view that all is matter, divorced from spirit. Bryde is born under the stars, in the apartment sitting atop the Round Tower in Copenhagen, just below its astronomical observatory. He dreams of travelling to the Moon, though he is told it will take a hundred years to get there. Conflict and ironic juxtaposition develop between the scientific and materialistic views Niels is exposed to—science detached from God; and the strict, biblical-based beliefs of his adopted family: God without science. A developing philosophical dialogue between Niels and Esther, a Jewish girl who is in the process of becoming a Chris-

"It is the age of vicissitude," said Esther. "Mankind has obtained power over the elements. The Sahara Desert will soon be turned into a lake; I read lately that an engineer has proposed to allow the Mediterranean Sea, which lies higher, to stream in over the widely stretched sandy desert, and then steamboats will soon be flying across that desert, where the bones of camels and caravan travelers lie hidden."

"This will take place," said Niels Bryde, "or else, by boring far down, they will force gushing springs to go through the layer of sand; oasis after oasis will then arise around these springs, and extend themselves more and more, until the desert shall become a blooming plain."

As Niels moves from science to science with belief, and Esther from belief to belief with science, love blossoms, pointing Niels in the direction of immortality.

In a third philosophical work, *The Muse of the New Century*, written in 1861, Andersen deepens his thoughts about the poetical spirit of the coming age.

17. Edited from this chapter in English at: <http://www.readbookonline.net/readOnline/40044/> The whole book in English: <http://www.gutenberg.org/ebooks/12313>

18. <http://www.readbookonline.net/readOnline/40044/>

Linking the muse of the future with the next technological era, he writes, as if pre-announcing the completion of the Eurasian Land-Bridge:

And when will the fullness of time have come? It is long for us, who are still behind here; it is short for those who flew on ahead. Soon the Chinese Wall will fall; the railways of Europe reach the secluded cultures of Asia—the two streams of culture meet!

The Portal to the Future

Since the advent of the '68er counterculture, too many have become infected by the pessimistic, misanthropic image of man that lies at the root of both the radical and soft varieties of the Green ideology. "The world has too many people! There are limited resources! Windmills instead of nuclear power! We have to crawl backwards in time, not run forwards!" cries the crowd.

Reviving Andersen's positive image of man's creativity, which enables him to find the keys to the prob-

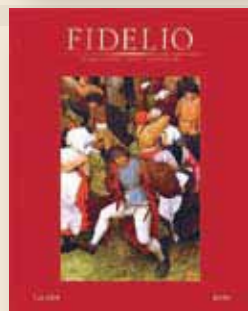
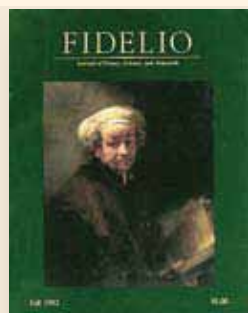
lems of the future, is needed now more than ever. Over the portal to the future, there is written: "Let no one who rejects scientific and technological progress enter."¹⁹ If we forfeit that, we sign our own doom. Instead, let Denmark honor the spirit of Andersen, by calling the first maglev train across the Kattegat,²⁰ "Hans Christian Andersen," and the first Danish mission to the Moon, "Niels Bryde."

As Einstein's violin was an integral part of his creative process, so was the inspiration of scientific and technological progress for Andersen. Here, in the mutual inspiration between science and culture, we have a treasure map which can lead to a Golden Age such as man has never seen.

For more, see www.Schillerinsitut.dk/drupal/hca

19. Over the entry to Plato's Academy was written, "Let no one unversed in geometry enter."

20. The body of water separating the island of Zealand upon which Copenhagen is located, and Denmark's second largest city Aarhus, on the Danish Jutland mainland. Over such a connection, one could travel between the two cities in 25 minutes. This project is a cornerstone of the Schiller Institute's programmatic work in Denmark.



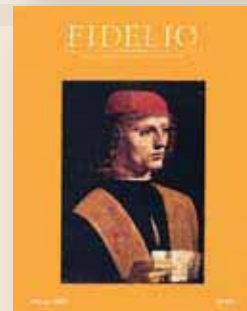
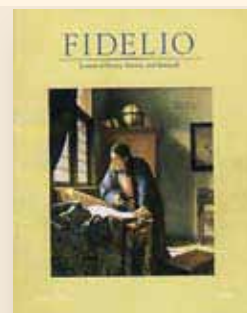
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WHY HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY IS ILLEGAL!:

True Law Was Never a Matter Of Any Ruler's Mere Opinion

by Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.

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*Mankind has been in trouble, often in peril, as under both the original oligarchical principle of the Roman Empire, and as continued by the implicitly quasi-planetary British monarchy presently. I remind us, that the trouble with the United States itself, as knowable to most among us presently, has been, usually, as it was under that contemptible wretch, U.S. President Andrew Jackson. The trouble has been caused, chiefly, by what has been mistakenly accepted as (actually **British imperial, financial**) law, as today, under the intrinsically foolish rule of mere belief in money as such.*

Sometimes, there had been, necessarily, practical reasons for enacting such laws among the human populations of nations. Usually, that has been the custom whenever man has known no better, which has been often. Often, unfortunately, what passes for law, is all too often the effects of imperial law in its characteristic expressions, which has always been the systemically malicious factor in the very bones of its intention.

Despite the continuation of that custom this far, there have been some precious exceptions. Two among the exemplary modern lawmakers typify those who did really qualify for prescribing that which meets the standard of truly natural law. Such were Cardinal Nicholas of Cusa, as represented in his **De Docta Ignorantia**, and the case of Cusa's avowed student, the Johannes Kepler who expressed this law in terms of *vicarious*

hypothesis. It was similarly expressed as *metaphor*, as by the work of Shakespeare. Similarly, Johann Sebastian Bach, had demonstrated the principle of *metaphor* in such expressions as his set of **Preludes and Fugues**. Bach was, *like his own true disciples, also a valid law-maker*. True law was never, and will never be a mere matter of anyone's merely official, or other crafting of mere opinion; only truly universal principles could qualify as true principles, as Cusa's principle of creativity did, and as I shall illustrate that case in the course of this present report.

Otherwise, in the merely common practice of nations, very little, even none of the presently knowable law has been truly worthy of the character of "universal law" in the process of its making. The U.S. Federal Constitution's original intent is expressed in a crucial way by the way in which Alexander Hamilton overcame that systemic error whose correction made possible the survival of the original U.S. Federal Constitution in its original making.

Most law of nations, unlike that of our original U.S. Federal Constitution, has been merely "made up," that according to the peculiar tastes of the "makers," without truly better than very sloppy evidence. Even most among our U.S. Presidents and the laws of our United States, have usually failed to meet the requirements of what should have been recognized as that original Constitution's essential intention. The failed results, when considered in accord with the true evidence, have been,



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customarily, according to the evidence presented as if from lessons of history, more often wrong, than even barely useful.¹

Nevertheless, that much once said, there is, in principle, a still rare, but readily accessible, notional principle of truly universal law. The problem has been, that the general practices presented by nations in the name of law, are not only often wrong, but often simply foolish. Take the cases of the Roman law and its intended continuation under the world-wide-ranging empire of the Queen of England, for an example. Both of those two cases from history have been, more often, purely evil, than not on the current record; the current Queen's

(actually oligarchical) custom in law, is fairly to be measured as not only wicked in a systemic sense of matters; it is presently the worst of wickednesses, considering the recent results for mankind globally. Nonetheless, despite all those bad things, good law, if it existed, were always urgently needed; but that has been, heretofore, all too rare.

The proofs of what I have just now, summarily presented, thus, can be known presently, and the contrary known either as simply wrong, customarily silly at best, or an evil as such. I, for one, would demand that which would be rightly termed "natural law," if our citizens had actually remembered what the true nature of what true natural law might be.

For example: without the presently immediate passage of a renewed President Franklin Roosevelt's "Glass Steagall" law, the planet as a whole would now be collapsed into a deadly ruin, almost immediately. Those of contrary opinion, have sought, wittingly, or otherwise, their own very early personal extinction, and that of the institutions which they have claimed to represent; so, they would have hung their own bad law around their own virtual necks.

Chapter 1:

Simply, What Is "Natural Law?"

One most troublesome irony in the current domain of belief in science, is the systemic nature of the irony which attends the credulous belief in the effect of human reliance on the naive practice of attribution of "self-evidence" to human sense-perception as such. Is the existence of God Himself merely a "self-evidence of bare sense-perception"? The logic of the customary argument would appear to make God Himself merely the ultimate expression of a presumed "absolutely fundamental law" of a bare principle of sense-perception! Or, is sense-perception itself not merely a matter of a shadow cast by higher-

1. Cf: Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.: "Obama and The Trojan Horse," Dec. 21, 2012: [EIR](#); [LaRouchePAC](#).

reigning principles of our universe at large?

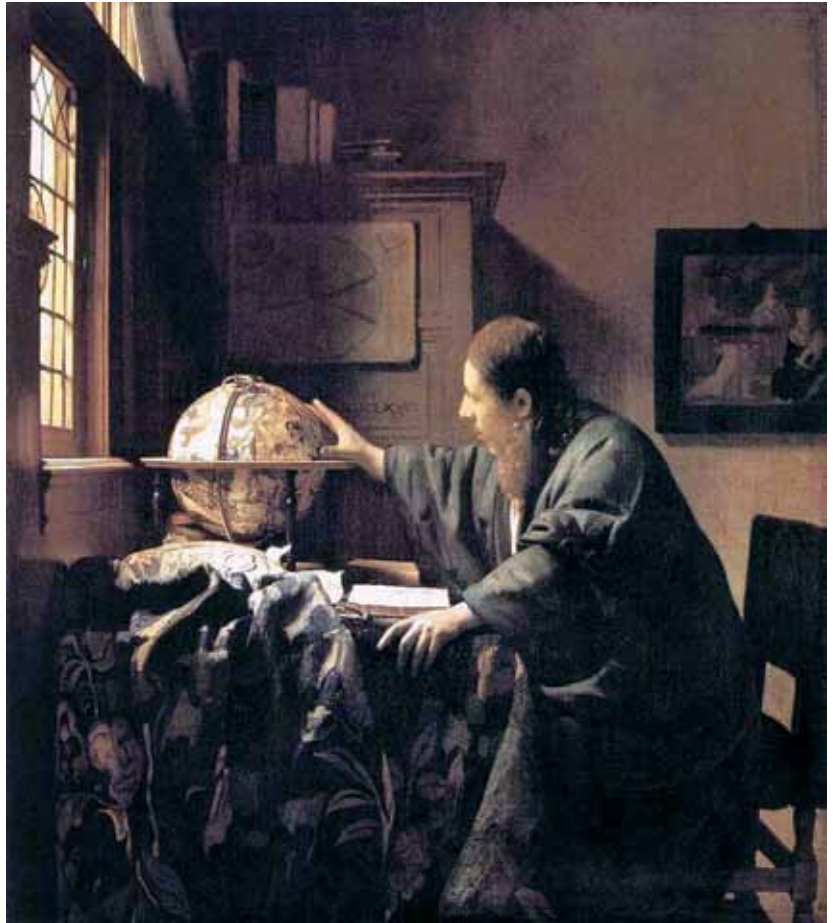
Does that take away from us anything which is actually known to be true about the universe, otherwise? Is the entirety of the still popular human conceit respecting “sense-selfishness” not merely a science-ignorant man’s petty ego-trip? Is the universe we experience merely a shadow cast by a human individual’s ego-trip? Were it not prudent to consider that the universe (e.g., the Solar system) might have contained, in some fashion, the generation of the faculty of animal sense-perception?

Were it not evident, in fact, that the irony of the argument I have just stated here, lies within the failure of the critic to recognize the distinction of the noetic powers of the human species from the beasts? True, the typical human individual known to us in Europe and the Americas today (in particular) does not recognize the evidence to the effect that the human mind, when functioning in its normal state of matured development, does have the ability of efficient foresight of a type absent for inferior species of life, on precisely this account. All of the problem is that the oligarchical principle demands dumbed-down members of the inferior ranks of society.

Therefore, let us now proceed as follows.

The apparent principle for what might be defined as a body of “knowable law,” in any meaningful sense, is to be located generally in the evolution of an inherently evolving domain of the implicitly living stellar array in its own (also) living expression on that matter. Then, next, there is a generality of the implicitly (also) living expression. Next in the order to be considered, is the noetic expression of the qualities and powers *uniquely specific* to human life.

The most immediate consideration, one which is specifically required for the functions of mankind, must be awarded to the unique power of the human will to organize a general process of ceaseless increase of the relatively energy-flux density of the modes of progress



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of mankind, which must be summed up as ready to exert a more powerful organization of the universe which mankind inhabits, as this is measurable per-capita and per standard area of energy-flux density. That must be a suitable view of our universe which mankind is to be enabled to inhabit, either directly, or otherwise. There are other, related considerations, but those which I have stipulated this far, will be sufficient to report for the present moment here.

Probably, the most common human mistake in the choosing of opinion and related practice by mankind, has been a false presumption: the presumption that the organization of the processes within the Solar system, is to be identified by the action of human sense-perception (e.g., “the senses”) as such.

To bring matters to the most crucial point to be emphasized here: it is that the true law of the universe

which can be presently known, by us, to exist, is knowledge which is readily known to be premised on the principles of human, willfully noetic creativity, *per se*. It is of particular, exceptional importance, considering the state of the Solar system now, that we define law to fit the included requirements implicitly existing within the nearby regions of the Solar system presently: first, the landing on our Moon, and, then, human-controlled apparatus operating, suitably, for our needs, on Mars.

***The Remainder of Our Century*²**

We had already been made aware of the actually great threats to the life of mankind on Earth; but, the current general opinion had been: “Practically, there is nothing much which we could do about known threats from within the Solar system” (and, to some degree beyond). The general attitude had been, that we were best advised to cease thinking about such realities which might be lurking “out there.” Now, official opinion among the populations and general governments of the trans-Atlantic regions, has returned to the habits of a time when the Mediterranean region of the planet had adopted the popular opinion that “the Earth is flat.” Nonetheless, the world-outlook of what could have been presumed to be intelligent Europeans had largely abandoned the legendary, brutish “Flat Earth” mythology of the Fourteenth-century populace, for a Fifteenth-century “Golden” Renaissance.

Since the period of the “World War I” which had been prompted and unleashed by the sudden, 1890 ouster of Germany’s Chancellor Bismarck, and the immediate aftermath of “World War II,” the society of Europe and the United States, has been moving backwards and downwards into a now immediately-threatened “New Dark Age,” a “New Dark Age” set into motion by the lunacy of returning to the British monarchy’s launching of a general warfare unleashed by the combined effects of the assassinations of President

John F. Kennedy and of his brother Robert, the Indo-China warfare, and the repeated defeat, by a corrupted U.S. Congress operating under orders of a British Prime Minister, such as the later, evil Tony Blair, against President Ronald Reagan’s sponsorship of the U.S. Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI).³

We are presently being plunged into the very depths of a “new dark age,” one which had been officially launched, actually, by the assassinations of President John F. Kennedy and, a bit later, his brother (and presumed Presidential pre-candidate) Robert. Those effects emerged clearly, and now fully, with the crooked actions of a largely bought-and-paid-for U.S. Congress’s implicitly treasonous scheme of the Gramm Leach Bliley hoax-swindle, the bought-and-paid-for repeal by the U.S. Congress of President Franklin D. Roosevelt’s Glass-Steagall law, a bought-and-paid-for repeal by the U.S. Congress, which was imposed at the close of a battered President William Clinton’s turn in office, at the close of the 1990s.

The United States had never been successfully ruined, since the Peace of Paris (1763), by any other human enemy than the British empire, or by the related agents of our republic’s enemies, including a number of those persons and institutions operating against our republic some of whom had actually served even as U.S. Presidents in their time. The ultimately serious enemy of the United States, the British empire-in-fact, has operated against our republic, that done through the British monarchy, but also through those British banking interests and related agencies originally controlling the United States’ policies through those British imperial banking institutions traditionally poised within the U.S. region of New York City’s Wall Street, as that long-standing swindle was defined clearly by the role of the British spy Aaron Burr’s top-down direction of the U.S. Presidents Andrew Jackson and Martin Van Buren, and by their successors in similar roles.

The Crucial Role of Alexander Hamilton

The key to understanding the role of U.S. traitors and their like, must be seen in the overthrow of the U.S. Constitution’s founding principles of law for economy, as those are specified, in design, by the role of U.S. Treasury Secretary Alexander Hamilton, and as those

2. The strict limitation on the reliance on sense-perception as such, is the source of the difficulty we had encountered at this point in the report, for the present moment. When science is limited to a reliance on human powers of mere sense-perception, the higher and more profound issues of experimental physics in the very large (e.g., the Solar system) and very small, are no longer reliable instruments in and of themselves. This is a grave source of errors encountered intrinsically in the use of mere sense-perception when attempting to measure experimental evidence in the very small, or very large. The margin of error in such cases is beyond the reach of all conventional presumptions respecting measurements in matters of the very large or very small: e.g., Bernhard Riemann in his habilitation dissertation.

3. The skills of President Ronald Reagan shone brightly in the matter of SDI and related strategic matters, as this is strongly affirmed in matters of defense in space and related subjects.

principles were nearly restored, largely, through the combined efforts of U.S. Presidents James Monroe and John Quincy Adams. Later, President Abraham Lincoln restored what was to be considered a “fair working model” of the intention of the original Federal Constitution’s economic principles; later, President William McKinley, while he lived, was moving in that direction. However, Presidents Theodore Roosevelt, (Ku Klux Klan refounder) Woodrow Wilson, the ugly personality of Calvin Coolidge, pompous swindler Herbert Hoover, Harry S Truman, Richard Nixon, and Jimmy Carter, were either simply catastrophic failures, or outright scoundrels such as George H.W. Bush, his son George W. Bush, Jr., and the worst among them all to present date, Barack Obama.

Each and all among those errant Presidents, had been committed, in their practice, to principles directly contrary to the specific principles of Alexander Hamilton, without which, the U.S. Constitution would have been a disastrously failed economic system from its outset. The inherently failed U.S. Presidents were each, essentially, monetarists, rather than economists who based themselves efficiently *on the principles of physical economy, rather than monetarism*. All of the economists of Europe, for example, have been lately bunglers, at their very best, since the middle through closing years of the 1960s and raw beginnings of the earliest 1970s

Monetary theory and its practice, are always directly at odds with the physical realities of a competent form of national economy. Nominally “successful economists” have often been considered such by those who are essentially swindlers, rather than producers of physical-economic growth on a national scale. Monetarists, as such, are essentially either clever or simply brutish thieves, or, we might suggest, pitiable or otherwise wretched bunglers.

The Economy of Animal Species

That much said in continuing this chapter thus far, now shift your focus, this time to the matter of the explicit physical principles involved.

To understand those principles of growth on which all competent economic policy-shaping depends, we must recognize a strict distinction of principle separating human intelligence from the natural behavior of all non-human living species. All competent economic practice, begins with a strict separation of the principles of actual economy in its distinction from what is, otherwise, non-human life. In fact, there could not be a com-



The U.S. Constitution’s founding principles of law for economy, were specified, in design, by Treasury Secretary Alexander Hamilton. Portrait by Daniel Huntington (1865).

petent theory of economy, without the specifically noetic characteristics which distinguish the inherent function of the human mind from all other presently known forms of life.

To understand economy competently, we must, first, identify the absolute principle of difference of human economy from the behavior of non-human life. Take note of the fact of the difference between living and non-living processes, and, then, identify the absolute difference in known characteristics of behavior of man from that of beasts. Do some people behave as if they were beasts? Of course! The crucial task confronting us at this stage of matters at hand, is to focus on the specific characteristics of all that animal and plant life which are systematically absent from that principle of life which inherently defines the noetic functions specific to the human mind, as distinct from other known forms of life.

The required choice of terminology for such cases, can not be classed as anything but “failed.” The evidence here is “inherently scientific.” That signifies a reference to the history of extinct species of what had

been living types: as evolution among emergent classes of living species is properly dominated as upward-development-directed. That is not merely a trait of “species,” but is inherent in the process of “natural selection” of known past species excepting the case of the human species. In particular, the challenge of human species-survival and closely-related considerations, includes such factors for consideration as a required rate of the species’ increase in potential relative productivity, as this is to be measured in per-capita rates of upward-directed change in required rate of growth of “energy-flux density,” relatively to changes in the energy-flux density in the increase of the Solar system and related factors in the galaxy.

In turn, the failure to increase the energy-flux density of life on Earth, and in comparable cases, predetermines a decline in the ability of living species, as, specifically, the human species to survive, both on Earth, and within such bounds as identifiable factors within the Solar system. In fact, the human species’ ability to survive, must be estimated in terms of the increase of the energy-flux density of any of the relevant cultures of the human species in its relatively required pre-conditions of existence. In brief, if we could not successfully “colonize” human mastery of the intent for human occupation of Mars at some relevant future time, we must consider the human species as relatively an intellectual failure.

The foremost distinction of human life from all other forms of life, is the human species’ power to effect a willful increase of the quality of energy-flux densities, which, in the case of the human species, is the systematically functional distinction of the qualitative leaps into higher orders of magnitude of “energy-flux density.”

Chapter 2:

The New Challenges Now Before Us

Up to the completion of the preceding chapter of this present report, the subject had been premised on the standpoint of an Earth-based challenge. Now, we shift emphasis to the mapping of the domain of action within the Solar space marked out according to the characteristics of what composes the relevant asteroid belts and other subjects inclusive of the region between the ranges of the asteroid belts from those associated, relatively, of Mars into Venus. The associated presump-

tion for this purpose, is a dedication to increasing emphasis on the development of a “traffic system” within that volume, operating with increasing emphasis on leading roles of the use of thermonuclear fusion propulsion among targeted destinations on planets, moons, and asteroids. That array is to be presumed to feature increasing emphasis on both keystone selections of useful asteroids (for communications, defense, and offense) with a strong emphasis on adjusting the ironical limitations on Mars-Earth communications presently.

As it has been pointed out in studies by the Basement Team, we stress the fact that the planets of the volume of the notional space within which the Solar system is operating, present us with a present choice of image in which the planets and their moons of that system are presently implicitly targets for what is being “shot against them” at relatively very high speeds across long spans of relatively lapsed time, which must, in fact, be resolved for the “rough factor” of equalizing the acceleration/distance factors of pre-mapping of choice of distance/destinations/impacts/defense.

The feasibility of such a pilot program within that domain, will obviously depend upon increasing the rates of increase of energy-flux density employed. That should be readily understood to signify a program of development within (and beyond) that domain, defined by an intended rate of increase of the per-capita energy-flux density, as if per-capita, which is to be assigned within the context of a rate of increase per capita, assigned to each of typically four generations of development per century relative to Earth’s civilization.

Obviously, that mission is to be defined in terms of the mapping of generated and applied potential; it must represent a constantly higher level of relative “charge” (“action”) per marked point of the overall process.

Implicitly, this means the effect of increasing the rate of relative increase of charge within which the rate of applied advances (within the expanding intensity of the field) are to be situated. In other words, increase the potential of the field, while raising the potential operating within the field. In principle, this represents a relativistic kind of mission-orientation in policy: accelerate the stream, and accelerate the stream within that stream: “flow with the go.”

That is nothing really so new as it might seem to some. That is the tendency demonstrated by the progress of mankind from the simple fireside of the aboriginal “cave man,” through successively higher levels of energy-flux density.

All Eyes on the United States

To those with the courage to face the reality of the devastating collapse in mankind's physical and moral potential for survival over the past decades, the "answer" should be clear. It's up to the United States to take the crucial action to save civilization itself.

Specifically, as Lyndon and Helga LaRouche stressed at the recent Schiller Institute conference in Europe, the United States must immediately reinstate FDR's Glass-Steagall law, thus bankrupting the predatory Empire banks, and setting the stage for world recovery.

Why does this responsibility fall on the United States?

Contrary to what may be popular opinion, it is *not* because the United States is responsible for all the problems in the world. The ongoing destruction of the physical conditions of life, man's greatest cultural achievements in science and art, and the ever-expanding impetus toward perpetual war, derive from the almost planet-wide control by a financial empire, best identified as the British Empire. Whole nations are being devoured by this imperial Moloch, which insists upon submission to its power, and is literally tearing down the means of subsistence—not to mention, technological advancement—for mankind.

Already, mankind's productive capabilities have been reduced to *below* the level required to maintain the current population at a human standard of living. The standard which economist Lyndon LaRouche has defined for progress—potential relative population density, based on an increase in energy-flux density, and in the productive powers of labor—is shrinking rapidly, creating the conditions for depopulation to the levels so many imperial mouthpieces have designated—from 7 billion human beings today to approximately 1 billion.

There is only one way this situation can be turned around—and that is by the application of the principles of economy that have been uniquely pioneered in only one nation in history, the United States.

The reason the United States is the nation upon which the fate of the planet depends, is because the United States, as it was at the time of its successful Revolution against Britain in 1776, is the beacon of hope for all mankind. Here, the principles of government, finance, and economy that lead to permanent progress, have been tested, and shown to have worked. Here, there is a tradition which can be revived—if the informed leadership is available to do so.

The LaRouche movement in the U.S. *is* that leadership, although it obviously can't accomplish the task alone. It's been a decades-long fight to try to revive the American System of Hamilton and Franklin, but at present, there is definitely momentum, as reflected in the Glass-Steagall fight. The progress of the current Glass-Steagall bill in Congress (now 56 sponsors), and spread of support in the states (on April 15 a memorial passed the Indiana General Assembly by acclamation, making it the third state to endorse a Glass-Steagall resolution) both stem directly from LaRouchePAC's efforts.

Such progress, as could be seen at the recent Schiller conference, provides hope to the entire world. The United States has the tradition and the power to take on the British imperial financial system, and bring it to its knees. To do so, of course, it will have to reject leading British agents, including the current President, but that can be done. All it takes is the decision by a relatively small number of leaders to do so.

Don't wait! Re-enact Glass-Steagall now!

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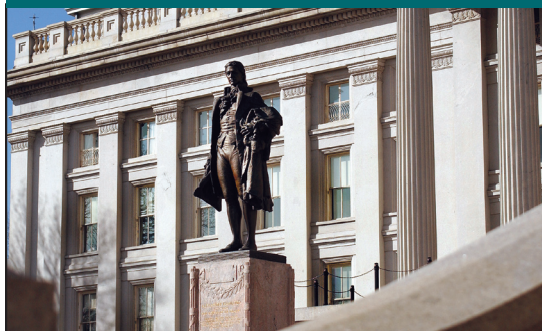
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