judgments it brought upon us is surely the lesson which this nation should never forget.”

And finally, on his global vision: “Three empires fill the vision of the future—the U.S., Russia, and China. Great Britain alone compares with them in the extent of her colonial possessions; but hers are remote and widely scattered, and will, when ripe as to the divine purpose, fall away from her, as the U.S. has done, and become centers of independent influence. Each [the U.S., Russia, and China] are animated throughout by the same general spirit, and possesses a certain unity in aims, laws, language, social habits, and religious sentiments.”

**Conclusion**

This vision was snuffed out, as the British, as they have done repeatedly in our nation’s history, succeeded in using ignorance and corruption to unleash in the United States an era of racist exclusion laws and similar policies to undermine the assimilation of the Chinese into the U.S. melting pot. Reverend Speer fought this insanity, and also spent some time in Hawaii, where later, the great Chinese revolutionary Sun Yat-sen was trained by American missionaries steeped in the tradition of Alexander Hamilton and Abraham Lincoln, and went on to build a Republic in China based on those American System principles.

The mission today is the same, but the consequences of failure far greater. Transforming the U.S., and reestablishing the historic alliances with Russia and China, are necessary if civilization is to survive. LaRouche has emphasized repeatedly that we must restore not only the vision, but the way of thinking itself, of the great minds who have shaped this nation, such as Cusa and Leibniz, and LaRouche, who saw the future, acted to destroy Empire, and created the City upon the Hill. It is ours to lose, or to create anew.

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### Butch Valdes: The Special Role of the Philippines

*Butch Valdes, leader of the Philippine LaRouche Society, sent this greeting to the San Francisco Schiller Institute conference.*

We here in the Philippines take inspiration from the words of Mr. Lyndon LaRouche, as he has on several occasions told us, via our radio program, that our country, the Philippines, has a very special role, in trying to save civilization. Just as we have been, over the past so many centuries, the gateway of Western thought moving towards the Eastern part of the world, we, today, have that special role: to share with the rest of the world’s population from this part of the world, the ideas which are needed to be assimilated, the ideas that are needed to be implemented, in order for us to save civilization from this present, ongoing collapse of the financial system, and threatening a situation that we all are very scared of, that is, World War III.

Our history with the United States goes back all the way to the 1900s, or even before—but specifically the 1900s, when the U.S. had bought us from Spain, after Spain colonized us for close to 400 years, and a new era for the Philippines started. President Franklin Delano Roosevelt gave us new hope in implementing many of the things that he had done for the United States. He paid particular attention to the Philippines, because we were, at that time, the only colony that needed to be given independence by the U.S., through the promise that he had made to the rest of the world.

After granting us independence, the sorry thing that had happened was, Roosevelt died. But not without starting certain infrastructural development programs, initiated by the very same people who may have started the Tennessee Valley Authority, putting the Philippines on a foundation which would allow us the opportunity to develop as well.

The role of the United States, as a leader nation, since 300 years ago, has not stopped. It has become even more significant and necessary at the present time. We call on the members of the international LaRouche movement; we call on the citizens of the United States of America; and we call on the leaders of the United States of America, to do everything that it takes to implement, to reinstitute the Glass-Steagall law, as a primary and necessary step towards saving not just America, not just the Philippines, but the rest of the world.

This has been your legacy since 1776, and this should be your legacy from this time on.