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# President Trump Has Launched An Historic Sea Change

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Oct. 14—The extraordinary transformation taking place in Syria today reflects a global phase-shift which President Trump has launched over the past weeks, in coordination with Russia's Vladimir Putin, China's Xi Jinping, India's Narendra Modi, Pakistan's Imran Khan, and several leaders in the Middle East.

Although the situation on the ground in northern Syria is very much in flux, there can be no question but that the potential for ending the war in Syria, and beginning to resolve other historical "hot spots" in East and Southwest Asia, all created by the British Empire, is well under way. President Trump has, in the past few weeks, declared political warfare on the decrepit and corrupt U.S. establishment, including both political parties, the entire corporate press, and the financial institutions behind the "military-industrial complex," which he attacked by name.

Trump acted upon his campaign commitment to "end these endless wars" when he declared the pull-back, and eventual pull-out, of U.S. forces in Syria.

At the same time, President Putin—with whom Trump has coordinated the military operations against ISIS in Syria—is visiting Saudi Arabia, offering fulsome praise to the Saudis for their role in bringing the war in Syria to an end. The Saudi leaders expressed their intent to maintain close friendships with both the U.S. and the Russians—another blow to the British imperial division of the world into enemy "blocs."

Also at the same time, Pakistan's Prime Minister Imran Khan is in Iran, and from there will go to Saudi Arabia. Khan expressed explicitly his intent to facilitate bringing the historical conflict between Shi'a Iran and Sunni Saudi Arabia to an end, an effort which is being welcomed by both sides. Recall that President Trump earlier asked Prime Minister Khan to mediate a resolution to the U.S.-Iran conflict, which Khan also discussed with President Rouhani.

This all comes within days of the partial trade agreement between the U.S. and China, as well as the historic "informal" visit of Xi Jinping to Prime Minister Modi in India, where the two leaders discussed a 100-year perspective for cooperation between the world's oldest and largest nations. And recall that when Prime Minister Modi visited the United States in September, President Trump joined him on stage in Houston before 50,000 enthusiastic Indians and Indian-Americans.

This diplomatic and cultural offensive has placed the leaders of "the Four Powers," as Lyndon LaRouche described them—Russia, China, India, and the U.S.—as well as other world leaders, on a common historical mission, with the potential to end the British Empire and the imperial divide of the world into "them" and "us," once and for all.

And yet, if one's only access to the news of world events were the corporate press in the U.S. and Europe, one would know none of this. Instead, one would read

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diatribes about the evil Russian leader and the murderous dictatorship in China. Even Fox News, which has played a positive role in exposing the Russiagate hoax against President Trump, has barely reported Trump's significant breakthrough with China, while filling its schedule with vile, lying diatribes against China, and accusing Trump of "selling out" to Putin in Syria. Trump has correctly identified the majority of the Congress, of both parties, as war mongers who are beholden to the military-industrial complex.

The media is equally silent about the fact that the U.S. Federal Reserve has, over the past month, been frantically pumping hundreds of billions of dollars into the banking system, trying to prevent a repeat of 2008, this time on a far grander scale. On Thursday the Fed is reviving "quantitative easing" (QE)—pumping \$60 billion per month, and perhaps much more, into the banks through at least the second quarter of 2020. What's the view of the media on this virtual acknowledgement that the system is beginning to

crack? "I'm all right, Jack."

The efforts of the eco-fascist mobs, and their financiers the major banks, to enforce policies of deindustrialization and depopulation under the fraud of preventing anthropogenic climate change, are beginning to have the opposite effect to that intended. There is a wave of reason sweeping through the American people, including the youth, recognizing the insanity of the dark age being proposed and responding to the signs of inspiration coming from the President—in the Moon-Mars program, his ending of the "endless wars," and also his rejection of the lies about CO<sub>2</sub> and climate change. These are the issues Lyndon LaRouche fought for over the past 50 years, and the reason he was targeted and put in prison by the oligarchy's war party and speculators—the same who are targeting Trump today. The exoneration of LaRouche today will free the minds of the population denied access to his ideas over these past decades. This would be Trump's best move of all.