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'Of Course This Is a Cover-Up! What Are You Going To Do About It?'

May 6—Two drones attacked the Kremlin in Moscow on May 3. Within 24 hours, the Russian government had asserted that it considered this an attempted assassination of President Vladimir Putin at the very seat of the Russian State, and it specifically charged that Ukraine was behind the attack, with the backing, logistical and intelligence support, and explicit instructions of the United States, United Kingdom and NATO.

Russian Deputy Foreign Minister Sergey Ryabkov stated on May 5: "We are working on preventing a fall of our relations with the U.S. into the abyss of an open armed conflict. We are already on the verge of this abyss." He added that Russia is "literally ready to use any means at its disposal" to deter such threats to its security.

The Western response? The government of the United States, the government of the United Kingdom, the European Union leaders, and pretty much the entirety of the mass media in the United States and Europe have all acted like the entire affair is a silly Russian concoction, or at most a minor incident which is being blown out of proportion—no investigation, no serious review of policy. All that was forthcoming was a leering grin, along with White House National Security Council spokesman John Kirby's vapid assertion: "I can assure you the United States had no role in it whatsoever."

So, what just happened here? An obvious and dangerous provocation is carried out that puts the entire human race at risk, and it is followed by the aggressive message to the world, including you, dear reader: "Of course this is a cover-up! What are you going to do about it?"

If you do nothing, you are like a lamb being led, without protest, to slaughter.

The same thing happened back in September 2022, when the Nord Stream pipelines were blown up. Again Washington "assured" the world that it had nothing to do with the matter, a lie so transparent that a 12-year-old wearing a blindfold could see through it. There was no investigation, no review of policy—just a coverup—even after Seymour Hersh's revelations on what had actually happened. Again, the message to the world, including you, dear reader, was: "Of course this is a cover-up! What are you going to do about it?" And: "Sure, we're fascist beast-men. What of it? We'll go to unimagined lengths to keep control of our collapsing unipolar world. Who is going to stand up and stop us?"

So, What Will You Do About It?

Lyndon LaRouche often commented that what broke the American spirit in the 1960s, leading to the paradigm shift into deindustrialization and cultural decay, was not so much the assassination of President John F. Kennedy in 1963, as horrific as that was, but the subsequent *cover-up* of that crime by the Warren Commission. In a 1989 interview that an organization called the International Connection conducted with Lyndon LaRouche when he was incarcerated in the Alexandria Detention Center in Alexandria, Virginia, LaRouche explained the strategic purpose of the JFK assassination:

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What they were doing was destabilizing, particularly with the cover-up, the Warren Commission cover-up—the combination of the assassination with the cover-up, actually did destabilize the United States; destabilized the institutions of government of the United States, destroyed the Presidency as an efficient instrument of government, the constitutional instrument.

In a November 22, 2010 article, LaRouche made the same point: "The Warren Commission, led by Allen Dulles and John J. McCloy, covered up the British trail, and further terrified two generations of Americans with the flagrant lies."

Again, the message was: "Of course this is a coverup! What are you going to do about it?"

But that is a valid question. What *are* you going to do about it? Doing nothing pretty much guarantees

a nuclear confrontation between the U.S. and Russia (and/or with China).

As the invitation to the May 6 Manhattan Project meeting of The LaRouche Organization stated:

Your individual action, joined with others, could be the most crucial factor in changing the response, including even the military response, of several governments to this new circumstance of war-escalation, even in the next days....

The insane drive to carve up Russia, and the vain drive to prop up a hopelessly bankrupt financial non-system, can be derailed by the uncompromising and earned optimism of an aroused, fighting and independent American people, with whom the nations of the world would be relieved, happy and proud to collaborate.