The Ugly Records Of Susan Rice And Samantha Power

June 10—Speaking at the Brookings Institution June 6, one of the chief warmongers of the U.S. Congress, Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.), declared himself encouraged by President Obama's appointments of Susan Rice and Samantha Power, at the top of his national security team. McCain particularly cited the fact that Power is credited with major responsibility for the (unconstitutional) U.S. action to overthrow Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi—an act which has thrown that nation into chaos, and lit a fuse for World War III.

In this case, McCain was right on the facts. As *EIR* has documented for more than a decade, Rice and Power have served as agents of the British-Blair doctrine of "humanitarian intervention," better known as the Hitler doctrine of pre-emptive war. We provide some selections from our previous coverage, in the article immediately below.

The 'Liberal Imperialists'

Obama could not have been unaware of the reaction that he would provoke in Russia, in particular, with these appointments. Rice is infamous for her diatribes against the Russians at the United Nations, as well as for her championing of U.S. military intervention in Syria. In an opinion column featured in *Russia Today* on June 6, Eric Draitser captured the situation when he identified Rice as "the embodiment of 'liberal imperialism,'" and a driving force behind not only the Libya War, but the "continued destabilization and subversion of Syria."

The other side of the coin was demonstrated by the *Economist*, house organ of the City of London, which praised the two "liberal interventionists," who have been "credited by diplomats with dramatically shifting American policy over Libya in the direction of the NATO-led air strikes that helped topple the Qaddafi regime." The *Economist* emphasized that the departure of current National Security Advisor Tom Donilon, in

its view, meant the removal of a "voice of caution," in favor of the strident Rice.

Who Is Samantha Power?

While Obama can get away with bringing Rice into the White House as National Security Advisor without the need for confirmation by the Senate, Samantha Power will have to go through that process, and her history has raised fewer hackles. Her pedigree is less wellknown to the public, but it is equally rooted in British liberal imperialism.

Power has built her career and reputation on the issue of human rights, British-style. Beginning as a reporter in Yugoslavia during the late 1990s, she moved on to write her signature book *A Problem from Hell: America and the Age of Genocide*, which was published in 2003. According to her own testimony, the funding for the book came from the Open Society and George Soros, the latter a British billionaire speculator in service of the British Empire, who, in true Empire fashion, *uses* the issue of human rights to break up nation-states, for its own benefit.

Power became a part of Obama's presidential campaign in 2008, during which time she worked closely with Lord Mark Malloch Brown, the British Minister of State for Africa, Asia and the United Nations, whom Obama came to admire when His Lordship was deputy secretary-general of the United Nations. Malloch Brown was also a close collaborator of Soros, and a recipient of the latter's ill-gotten gains. Upon Obama's election, Power remained in his inner circle, being appointed a Special Assistant to the President, and head of the Office of Multilateral Affairs and Human Rights in the National Security Council.

Power is apparently still head of the Atrocities Prevention Board, whose formation Obama announced in Spring 2012.

It should not be overlooked that Power is married to Cass Sunstein, a close buddy of Obama, and former Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs. Sunstein, both a lawyer and behavioral economist, is an unabashed advocate of the "legal" doctrines of the Nazi Crown Jurist Carl Schmitt, which justified Hitler's assertion of dictatorial executive powers, on the theory that the Führer had to act as the embodiment of the state to deal with "emergencies."

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^{1.} See "Obama Aide Sunstein Outlines Plan To Suppress Opposition," EIR, May 11, 2012.