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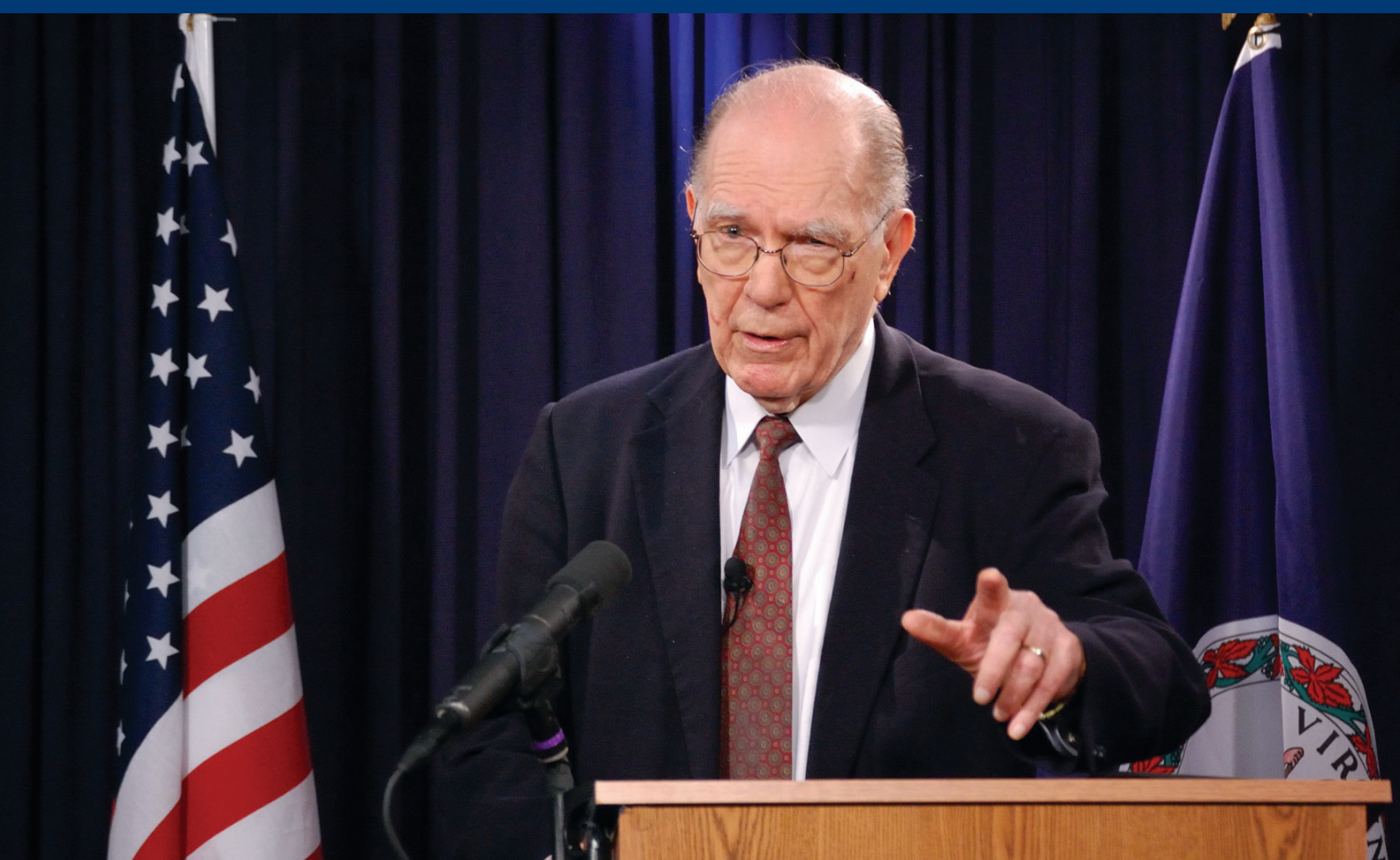

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From the Managing Editor

Heading into the last weeks of 2011, the world situation could hardly be more grim. Some people react to this obvious fact by diving into manic Christmas-shopping and preococupation with family, to the exclusion of the rest of the universe. But Lyndon LaRouche, in his webcast keynote to a LaRouchePAC Town Meeting in New Jersey published in this issue, put the challenge to those who can summon the courage to take responsibility for reversing the global crisis.

Having said why President Obama must be removed, LaRouche stressed: "So we now must be acting, *now, at this moment!*, before Christmas, to get this bum out of office, and to understand that we need to get a selection of candidates who represent the best selection of Federal candidates, on both tickets, together. So we are going to make decisions on world affairs, on the basis of the interests of the nation and the world.... Without that kind of thought, as we go into this crisis today, I don't think we can make it."

This new kind of Presidency and new kind of politics will be the good news for 2012—if we can get it.

Our issue is a tightly condensed view of where we stand.

The *Feature* constitutes LaRouche's emergency intervention into the uproar over Secretary of State Clinton's remarks about the Russian elections. Far from "just another diplomatic flap," this is the kind of thing that, under current circumstances of escalating confrontation, can provide a flashpoint to thermonuclear war. Clinton had been brutally slammed by Obama to make the statements she did. The *Feature* also documents Russian Prime Minister Putin's nuanced view, and former Soviet leader Gorbachov's current, and decades-long, role as a pawn of the British Empire.

The *International* section leads with the escalation toward war in Southwest Asia and the efforts of those in Israel and the United States who are trying to stop it.

In *Economics*, Helga Zepp-LaRouche analyzes the suicidal capitulation of Europe's heads of state to monetarist policy, posing the alternative for Germany: a Glass-Steagall-style banking system and a return to the national currency, the deutschemark.

And looking to the future, the six LaRouche Democratic Congressional pre-candidates discuss the requirement for breaking away from "sectional" thinking, to national and universal thinking. In *Science*, the LPAC Basement Team's Michael Kirsch answers *EIR*'s questions about the excellent new LPAC video, "NAWAPA 1964."

Susan Welsh

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REMOVE OBAMA NOW!

We Need a New Presidency, A New Concept of Politics

Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., gave this keynote address to a LaRouchePAC Town Meeting in Windsor, N.J., on Dec. 11, 2011. The panel was moderated by Diane Sare, who is one of the slate of six national LaRouche Democratic Congressional candidates. The video is at http://www.larouchepac.com/webcasts/20111211.html.

We are in a very interesting world, which means it is a very frightening world. And what is being done at this point, on both sides of the Atlantic in particular, is not at first glance particularly refreshing or reassuring.

The situation is as follows: We have a President who is unfit, even for citizenship, actually; who is clinically insane. There is no question *in fact* but that he is clinically insane.

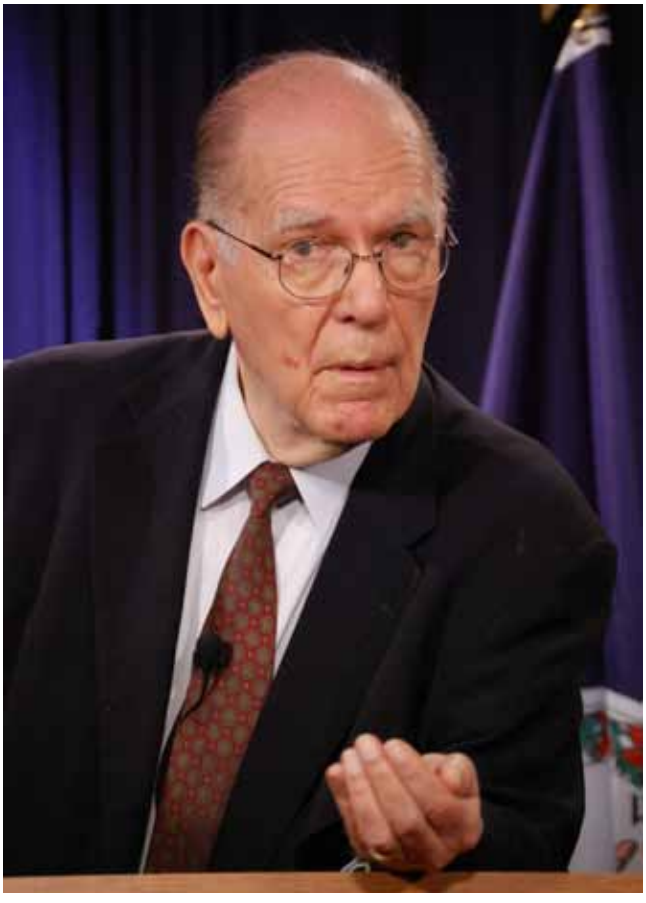
The American System vs. Oligarchy

However, the problem is, that because of certain things that have happened over the recent several decades, we in the United States no longer have, generally, the kind of courage that a citizen would tend to have in earlier times. The assassination of John F. Kennedy, and the launching of the prolonged Indo-China War, in which we lost our morality, our courage, and everything else, has taken its toll. And what's happened since then, particularly in the past nearly ten years now, under George W. Bush, Jr., and Obama, has done everything to destroy the confidence and even the morality of our people.

Now the problem is intrinsically an old kind of problem. We in the United States were particularly fortunate, in the sense that there was a renaissance which occurred, actually probably implicitly with the birth of Nicholas of Cusa in 1401. This man turned out to be probably the greatest genius in all history, since his approach toward maturity. He changed science, he changed everything, more than any other single individual, in this process. And out of this, we had developments, scientific and other developments, which are unprecedented, in the sense that everything before Cusa's birth, everything before the beginning of the 15th Century, was far inferior to, in every respect, what happened with the Council of Florence, and the things associated with that.

And despite all the evils that have been done in the course of modern history, modern European history in particular; despite the long religious warfare from 1492 through 1648; despite the horror show which the British Empire created in the Seven Years War, and has continued to create ever since then; despite the horror which has hung over from the Roman Empire, from Byzantium, from the Crusades, and from the horror show of the wars from 1492 to 1648, that period, we have accomplished something, especially beginning in 1620 with the landing of the Pilgrims there [at Plymouth Rock], and then the Massachusetts Bay Colony development.

During this period, from 1492 until the crushing of the Massachusetts Bay Colony, we had launched the greatest initiative for civilization since actually the



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Lyndon LaRouche sounded the certain trumpet, in his strategic briefing to a Dec. 11 LPAC meeting in New Jersey, which was aired live on LPAC-TV. Muster the courage to oust Obama, and we can prevent nuclear war and build a new Presidency, he said.

work of the great Renaissance. And out of this came, despite the crushing of us by the British interests, or what became the British Empire, we succeeded, over a period from 1620 until 1782, in establishing a republic which is unique in all human history, but which found itself at the end of that century, with the French Revolution and similar effects—we found ourselves repeatedly crushed. Because here we were: We were a great movement, a great nation really coming into being on the Atlantic side of the world, while all hell was bursting loose under the British Empire.

Ever since, there have been periods when our influence—and we've had friends and allies in other parts of the world—at least we've had a momentary surge, as typified best by the case of Franklin Roosevelt, President Franklin Roosevelt. It was an absolute revolution; we were a political, moral junkshop from the assassination of McKinley until the election of Franklin Roosevelt. Under Franklin Roosevelt, we achieved for a moment a great affirmation of our traditions.

With the death of Roosevelt and the advent of Truman, we began to go down again, and down, down, down. For a moment, John F. Kennedy resumed the influence and the trends of Franklin Roosevelt, and then he was assassinated. He was assassinated by people tied to Wall Street, and tied to London; that's who killed him. And it was deliberate. And the killing of his brother, Robert Kennedy, that assassination was also deliberate. And from the assassination of those two Kennedys, this nation has never fully recovered, to the present day. Bill Clinton did an excellent job in what he tried to do, but the circumstances under which he lived as President were not the best.

Obama Is Clinically Insane

Now we come to the point, as of this past week, beginning this past Monday, in which Europe, Western Europe, began to degenerate into a collapse. And the United States is on the verge of plunging into the same trans-Atlantic collapse. In fact, the entire trans-Atlantic world, from the Americas into Europe, is now in a general breakdown crisis. *It's finished in its present form.*

And in its present form, there will never be, in our lifetimes and beyond, there will never be a recovery, unless we bring it into effect now. And my estimate is, that we shall never escape from this, unless we very soon expel the current President of the United States from his office. If we can not find the people who have the guts, when the evidence is that this President is clinically *insane*... I said that in 2009, and everything I said then is true today. *I made no error.* This guy should have been thrown out of office *then*, when I first presented the case for his insanity. You see him now—he's destroying everything. He's *killing* Americans en masse with his economic and related policies. He's conducted illegal wars; he becomes an agent of a foreign power, working against the interests of the United States.

Take the financial situation.

What happened at the beginning, essentially, under George W. Bush, Jr. They launched a policy in opposition to my Homeowners and Bank Protection Act proposal of 2007, that would have stopped this crisis; but no, some people thought they were smarter than I was, and what they did is, they led us, from that time on, down the lane toward what happened in 2008: the beginning of the disintegration of the U.S. economy. And

White House photo

Obama "has done more to betray and destroy the United States than any other traitor in our history. But we have to forgive him, because he is clinically insane." Here, the crazed Obama on the USS Carl Vinson.

the U.S. economy has been disintegrating ever since, with no hope of recovery under the policies of *either* George W. Bush, Jr., or those of Obama.

Obama has done more to betray and destroy the United States than any other traitor in our history. But we have to forgive him, because he is clinically insane. But then, can we forgive those who, faced with the evidence of an insane President, who is committing murderous acts, acts of warfare which are a violation of the Constitution, can we forgive the people who are in power, who have the power, who don't have the guts to throw this guy out of office under Section 4 of the 25th Amendment, for which he is culpable, fully culpable? For the violations of the Constitution, the frequent ones, for which he is culpable?

We sit there like impotent cowards, seeing our people and our nation destroyed under the influence of this British-owned puppet? And the only people who fight are a few of us. I, for one, and some generals, some senior general officers and similar people, who've warned us that what Obama is doing is a threat to the existence of the United States. It has an effect which is tantamount to that of *treason* against the United States and its people. He's increasing the death rate among our people willfully. He's destroying the institutions upon which recovery depends. He's acting to destroy the food supply that should come in the Spring of next year.

We're going to have a threat right now, of mass destruction through starvation and similar kinds of conditions, on a large scale, among our people. And only a few of us, some generals, me, some others, have shown the wisdom and guts to recognize that the policies of this President must be brought to a cessation. Otherwise, this nation, and probably civilization more generally, will not survive.

Threat of Thermonuclear War

We're now in a situation where we're threatened by drawing the United States into a general thermonuclear war. Not just a nuclear war, but a thermonuclear war. And this past week, the President of the United States, so-called, attacked his Secretary of State, and forced her, under intimidation, to say things contrary to her belief, by using the full muscle of the Presidency to threaten to crush her. And she did things under that pressure of being virtually crushed by this beast, this madman called the President, which caused a strain with our most important U.S. ally at this time.

Russia, under the leadership of Medvedev and Putin, are seriously the most effective—together with China—the most effective partners of the United States against this threat. Cooperation between Russia and the United States, with the agreement of China, and some other features, would stop this war, would stop this danger. So this President, who is not fit to be dog catcher—the dogs would probably agree—has now created this kind of situation where he is in effect a British agent.

In effect, he is *only* a British agent; he probably was not elected. That is, he was probably not nominated for the Democratic nomination for President. A very screwy kind of little thing happened there, and it was all paid for with British drug money—and I do mean *British drug money.* The Queen of England *does* push drugs! And we've got a little trial hearing on that question going on in the United States involving the Attorney General of the United States. Were they covering for a drug-pushing operation, which is what it was, or not?

So, here's where we stand: We stand in a desperate situation; the preconditions for a general thermonuclear war have existed. What has happened is, since the mass murder in Libya, which was perpetrated by the President of the United States in defiance of the Constitution—and it's criminal murder; this is not killing, this is criminal murder, politically motivated murder of a head of state, in a war which was conducted in violation of the U.S. Constitution.

Now this has led to an attempt by the British, the French government, and the government of the United

DoD/Petty Officer 1st Class Greg Messier

U.S. military capabilities in the Persian Gulf area are massive, and geared for thermonuclear confrontation with Russia. Here, a Hornet is launched from the aircraft carrier Vinson *in the Arabian Sea.*

States presently, to push a war into the Middle East, targeting specifically Syria and Iraq. However, if you look at the military configuration in the eastern Mediterranean and in the Persian Gulf, you see that the troops there are *not* in there for a little operation, like a new Iraq War. What is intended is a confrontation with *Russia*, the principal nuclear power on this planet. That is, Russia, the former Soviet Union and what is left of that; and Russia has the greatest potential, in terms of strictly nuclear power on the planet. The only other nation which is relevant for major warfare, using nuclear or thermonuclear power, is the United States.

The significant deployment of U.S. forces in the Mediterranean region and in the Gulf, is U.S. thermonuclear war capability. We have repeatable, in-depth strength to conduct thermonuclear war, which Britain does not have, and other nations do not have. They may have thermonuclear capabilities, but they don't have a sustainable knock-out-blow capability in terms of thermonuclear war. The only relevant opponent of the United States, Britain, and France, which perpetuated this crime, this war crime, is Russia. It's the only nation which has any comparable capability.

So, what you're looking at here is, if the U.S. forces strike, they know that a strike means a thermonuclear confrontation, which means that the United States has to be committed to a *preemptive* thermonuclear strike, which means that we are faced with general thermonuclear war. And who can survive from that is very much in doubt. But the President of the United States, together with the people who control him in London around the British Queen, are determined to push us to that policy.

We have a man who I have contempt for; he's an old enemy, Garbage-chov I call him. He was my opponent when I was proposing, at one point, the Strategic Defense Initiative; something which I concocted and had a lot of support for from various countries, including from the President of the United States, Ronald Reagan, at that time.

We are now at the point, where our capabilities are thrust against the combination of the British forces, are taking us to the edge of not a local war—not a "this," not a "that." We're headed for, this confrontation with Russia, which the President of the United States pushed very hard in his attacks on his own Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton. This man and his British backers are madmen, worse than Hitler, and they're taking us to the brink of thermonuclear war, and most people in this audience don't even know what thermonuclear war is. It's something way beyond anything in their imaginations.

And the only people, apart from me and a few others who are effectively opposing this publicly, are some general officers and people of similar credentials in the U.S. military. They have been the only thing significantly standing in the way of our already being plunged into a thermonuclear war, from which the human race might not survive.

Gutless Politicians

And that's our situation; and the problem is, our politicians, our leading elected politicians, *have no guts* when it comes to the challenge of acting to save the United States from this kind of horror show. From bending to an Obama, who they could throw out of office in the morning, and who should be thrown out in

the morning—and it should be yesterday morning if possible. And that's what we're faced with.

So, we can talk about courage and so forth, but courage is not just the idea of going out and having the guts to punch somebody, or something like that. No, courage is the ability to do what you must do, when doing it is extremely dangerous. That's courage. And we don't have much courage of that type among our members of Congress.

Oh, we have a few—there are a few suspects I know who I would presume to trust, both on the Republican side, as probably some on the Democratic side. I know the former President of the United States, Clinton, has good intentions on these kinds of matters. I know that his wife, who was practically brutalized by the President of the United States, also has instinctively excellent intentions and character on this issue.

But she has been bullied—you want to talk about racism, and similar kinds of things, feminism, and so forth? That's it! You have a brute! A madman! A man unfit to hold office. A basketball player! Who threatens her, and tries to intimidate her, against her own intention, to try to make her a vehicle in trying to create an incident between Russia and the United States, with the threat that something terrible will happen to her if she does not submit. We have a press that doesn't tell that story, and it's a truthful story, well known. And it's a story which involves the threat of our being involved in a global thermonuclear war.

That's where we stand; and I don't find the politicians in general, or even the majority of our citizens, who have a sense of the guts to do anything about this. They sit there and complain, and say, "We have to go along to get along." They say, "Let's wait for the next election." "Buddy, you're going to be blown away by the next election if you don't do something now." This man must be thrown out of office *now*. He is clinically insane; Section 4 of the 25th Amendment prescribes precisely the remedies to be taken. He also has committed violations of the Constitution which are sufficient for his expulsion from office. Why don't we do it? Why don't we do it?

That's where we stand.

You Can't Go by Sense Perception

Now, there's another aspect to this situation which is also equally important. How do we know anything?

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Sense perception does not convey reality, LaRouche stressed, but man has to use his senses, as he does certain electronic instruments and tools, to develop the conceptions which identify the invisible reality which impresses itself on the senses. Here, a young girl uses one of those key tools, the telescope.

How can we say we know something? On the one hand, what we have as the way to know what's going on in the world is sense perception. Now I can tell you that sense perception is not very reliable. It's something from our animal side. These are not precision scientific instruments. But mankind, by using a set of several instruments of these types, these so-called sense perceptual instruments, is able to use contradictions and contrasts among different kinds of sense perceptions, to try to come up with a formula of how to deal with things.

For example, the discovery of gravitation, which was done uniquely by a great man, Kepler. Kepler was the only man who ever discovered gravitation; nobody else ever did. The only people who did, were those who repeated his discovery, or worked upon perfecting the understanding of it. So Kepler discovered gravitation. How did he do that?

Well, first of all, he took two principles. One was the principle of sight, using the telescope; the other was harmonics. And these two kinds of sense perception, human sense perception, juxtaposed against each other, were used as a way of testing experimentally a single conclusion which we call the principle of universal of gravitation. Which Einstein, for example, referred to in defining the nature of physical space-time and the way it's organized.

So, all of our great scientific discoveries were based

on use of imperfect instruments, those with which we are usually born. Sense perception—sight, smell, and so forth—these are the means by which we attempt to find out what's happening outside our skin. We don't actually have a direct knowledge of what's going on outside our skin, but we have, by this kind of method, a way of approximating and estimating what is going on outside us. Now, in more recent times, we've come with a better source of information.

This started with a guy called Eratosthenes, who is the first person to discover the size of the Earth. He conducted a very famous experiment, actually several of them, which were the start of that. And this sort of process in development of astronomy, using also the general astronomy of the star system and so forth, was the first source of information with the aid of sight, in finding a way of knowing what the real universe is, as opposed to merely ordinary sense perception, which dogs and so forth have.

So, this gave us the ability to build up what we call today the general electronic or similar kinds of things, astronomy and these kinds of things that we're doing now. So we have two sources of information, which, in contrast, give us our knowledge of how the universe is organized. One is sense perception. Sense perception is intrinsically not reliable. It's reliable for certain purposes, but it doesn't tell us what the principles of the universe are, and how they're organized.

We have then also electronics, what we call electronics, which includes telescopy and so forth; these other means. And by contrasting these two sets of means—what we might call, on the one hand, electronics, and on the other, sense perception—the two of them, and the contrast of the two of them, gives us two media. One, the least reliable, which is sense perception. The other is electronics.

Well, electronics is much more precise than sense perception, in terms of the physics. And therefore, as we have advanced in physical science, we have been able to extend our human knowledge into the larger parts of the universe, as Riemann outlined this in his habilitation dissertation. We are able now today to do things, and are able to understand things, that mankind has never been able to understand before. This advantage, this gain, has given us the power which is for the good, and the power to destroy the planet at the same time. And the stupidity with which to aid in destroying the planet, all at the same time. And that's where we stand.

The Alternative to War

And therefore, the great decisions that have been made are not made in the form of the field of battle, although the field of battle is very much there. The decisions to be made are not about who can win the war, because winning the war now, when you're talking about thermonuclear capabilities, and the kind of warfare that makes those capabilities used on both sides, whatever the two sides are, you can no longer talk about warfare in the old-style fashion. Mankind has reached a degree of capability, and also grave stupidity and insanity, that we have the ability to destroy this planet. Or the ability to destroy most of the people living on this planet, to destroy civilization.

So, the issue is not war; the issue is what is the alternative to war. Because under the present trends, as long as the British Empire maintains the power it maintains today, and as long as most Americans are stooges, and are stooges-in-fact for the British Empire, war is not the question; it's getting rid of those, and the power of those, who would cause us to make war. There are problems to be solved on this planet. They can be solved by other means. War is not necessary to solve these problems; there are other means by which we can control this planet if we wish to. But there are some people who wish to destroy this planet in a sense. And typical of those is the British Empire.

Origins of the Oligarchical System

Now, there's a dark part of the history of mankind, which is very relevant to this situation. Mankind, again, has been essentially an educated beast, with certain capabilities. And most of what we know as civilization, particularly European civilization, as such, has involved various kinds of warfare under a system of "governance," which is called essentially an empire—an imperial system, an oligarchical system.

What has happened is that, in a certain part of our history—which is an area which is lost in the dust of uncertainties, but the effects we know; the exact processes we don't know in detail, but we know much about it—at a certain point, a maritime power developed on the surface of this planet. It was not just an ordinary maritime power; it was actually of a trans-Atlantic and similar nature. The great cultures, which gave us the knowledge of astronomy, were generally the great navigators of transoceanic travel.

And therefore from this group, which is much more intelligent, because much more informed, by informa-

tion dealing with astronomy, that's how we got our whole astronomical system, was from the great navigators who were transoceanic navigators. And learning how to navigate by the stars, and similar kinds of considerations: Let's say 200,000-400,000 years ago, there emerged a maritime culture, which had superior power through this knowledge of astronomy and so forth, greater power than the ordinary people.

And from among these people, these mariner types, they became colonizers. Most of the human population was not on the land area; it was on the shore area, or in the lakes and waterways. And these were largely farmers, or like farmers, farmers and hunters. They were very weak in terms of their strategic capability, relative to the great navigators, who acted almost like pirates.

The dark side of man's development came with the rise of empire, where a seafaring class of oligarchs came to dominate the rest of the population. Here, Persian Emperor Darius at war, depicted in the famous Alexander mosaic, ca. 100 B.C.

So this kind of quasi-piracy became a dominant feature, in much of the world's oceans and along the coasts of the oceans. And the ordinary people, who were farmers or the like, found themselves the victims of the strategic advantage of the maritime culture.

From this came what is known as the oligarchical system, which is what the Peloponnesian War, for example, was an illustration of. So you had naval power descending upon people on the land or coastal areas, enslaving them, and saying, "You are *animals*. We are *gods*!" And the term "gods" was applied in various languages, to the navigational maritime system, which was able to imprison and enslave, virtually. And these people would treat human beings otherwise, as animals! They would slaughter the excess animals, or control them by other means.

And so we had the Peloponnesian War, this fight, where the oligarchy said, "We are the gods, you are the cattle. When you become too numerous, we kill you. When you become threatening, we kill you. When you become too intelligent, we kill you, we destroy you." And that has been the basis for the dominant culture of this planet.

In the process of modern history, and earlier, there was a struggle against the oligarchical system, and from that there emerged the effort of modern society, in which the founding of our United States, *as separate from Europe*, was an essential part. The strength of our United States is, we are superior to Europe, in one respect: that Europeans have never freed themselves of the full continental European grip of the oligarchical system, like the monarchies; they've never freed themselves of this oligarchical tradition, in this monarchical expression.

The British Empire is still the British Empire! Every part of Africa is controlled by the British Empire! And anybody who doesn't admit that is a liar or stupid. The British Empire controls all of Africa; the British Empire owns Saudi Arabia; it controls the Arab Middle East. It controls other parts of the world. It's a real empire, like the old empires.

And we in the United States are crucial, because it is our position, from our founding of what we are in the United States, which gave the world the opportunity to *get rid* of the oligarchical system. But you have all these Wall Street types, who are nothing but British ass-kissers, agents of the oligarchical system, who, even as citizens of the United States, will ally with the British Empire to destroy the United States, or destroy what the United States means. And the suckers go along with it, inside the United States. The people who have lost their courage and judgment continue to allow this to happen.

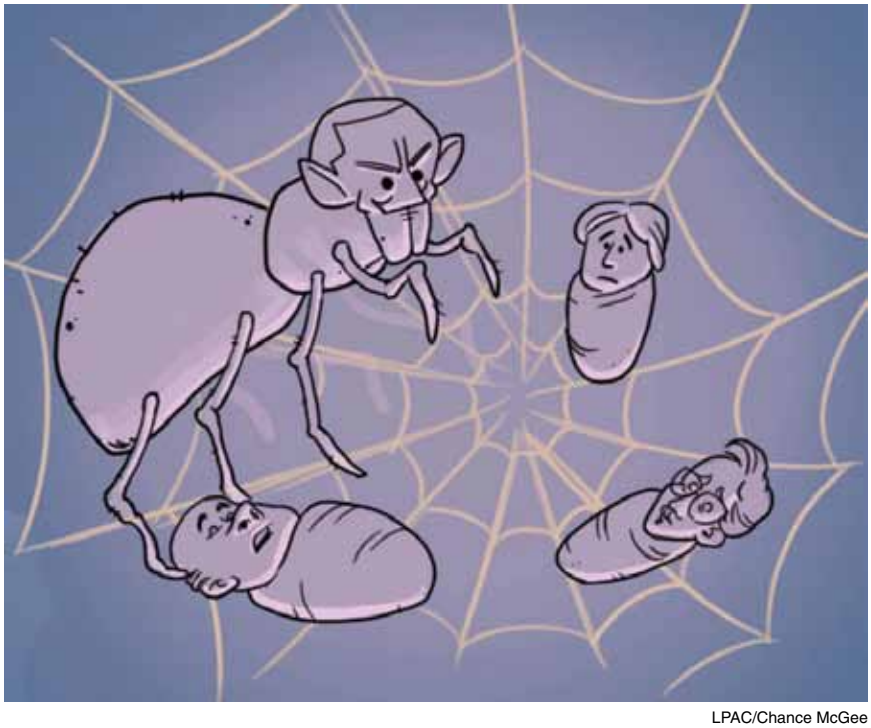
What Removing Obama Would Do

We've come to the point that we're now at the edge of thermonuclear war. We've been there since the close

of the Libyan adventure. We are now still there. Recently, with the assault by the President of the United States against his Secretary of State, we came a very large step *closer* to thermonuclear war. What President Obama did in his attack, his savage attack, in two successive attacks to brutalize the Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton, brought the world *closer to thermonuclear war.*

And nobody in the United States has done anything about it!

Nobody has moved to get this bum out of office, which is essential if we want to prevent thermonuclear war. No one has defended her, significantly, publicly. None of her colleagues has defended her against the abuse that was done to her. He should be thrown out of office for that itself. Any President who does that to one of his officers, on that basis, and for that reason?



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The brutish Obama has caught members of his Administration in his spider web, and is moving to crush them. Most notable was his abuse of Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, to get her to act to destroy her relationship with her Russian counterpart.

First of all, how did this happen? Well, you have a former Soviet official, Gorbachov, an old enemy of mine, and a British agent, who I was up against, together with President Reagan, on this issue of the SDI. The SDI was my baby; President Reagan adopted it, promoted it. The Soviet incumbent who was also a British agent at that time, not really an honest Russian patriot, backed up the British, against the SDI. And Senators and others of the United States went along with the British, on orders emanating from Andropov, the head of the Soviet Union. Gorbachov, who went through a similar exercise, is also a traitor to the Soviet Union and to Russia, today—and also a British agent.

And this British agent, Gorbachov, was the guy who was involved in the intimidation of the Secretary of State of the United States in this matter. And the President of the United States was an accomplice in that operation. Using an agent of the British interest, in setting up the threat of a thermonuclear attack on Russia, and thus, a thermonuclear war between the Russia and the United States, etc., etc.

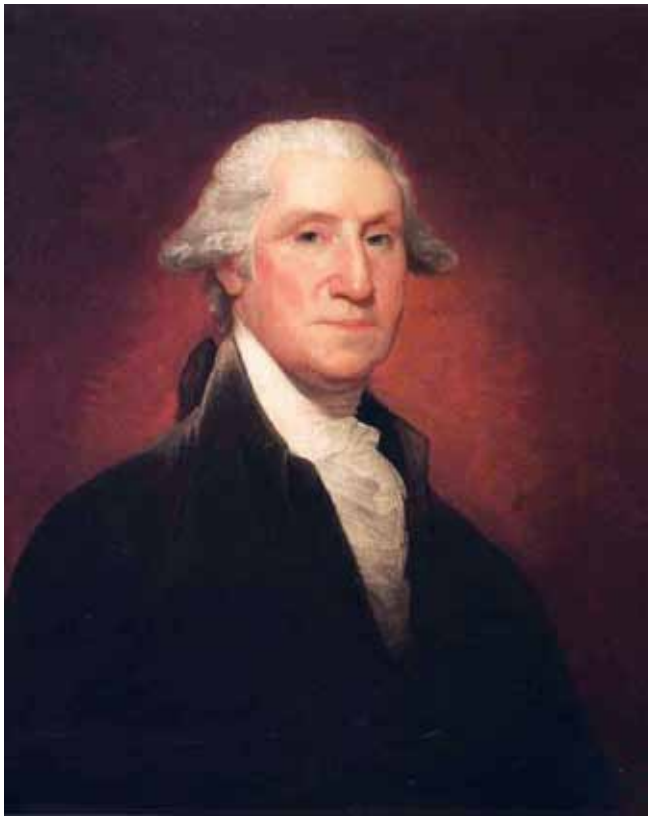
And we sit back there, and say, "Well, it's not our time to act. It's not our time to do anything. It's not our time to meet these challenges."

So what we face in our own people out there, especially those in higher influence in office, who do not act to throw this bum out, while we still have a nation, while we still have no thermonuclear war—they are acting like traitors. They don't mean to be traitors, but only cowards. And sometimes, there's little difference between the two of them. That's where we are now.

We are now starving to death. Our economy's being destroyed by *this* President, under orders from London! As of next Spring, if nothing else happens, many of our Americans are going to die of hunger, because the food supply has been destroyed under the policies of this incumbent President. There will be no adequate food supplies come this Spring, and the last time to solve that problem was the time to throw this President out of office, *now*: specifically, under the 25th Amendment, Section 4. And also under the fact that he has violated the Constitution, repeatedly, and is vulnerable for expulsion.

In the meantime, you've got a bunch of Republicans as candidates, those who are visible now, who are no relief to this threat. We don't have any great geniuses who you can trust out there in the Republican roster of

candidates! We have some people who may be gentlemen—some not, but some others maybe act like gentlemen. We don't have a Democrat—this President, who wants to be re-erected, or something, he's no damned good. But if we could somehow just throw this present bum out, throwing Obama out, what would that do? It would mean you would have all kinds of prospects for a Democrat to be put up.



The founders of the American Republic, mostly notably George Washington, fought tooth and nail for citizens to put the nation, not parties and sections, first. Here, a 1795 portrait of Washington by Gilbert Stuart.

A Bipartisan Ticket

And I wouldn't go for a Democratic-only ticket; I would go for a bipartisan ticket. Because what we need is a coordination and collaboration among the best people of our political system, in major national office. That's what we need. I certainly would not want to have a Democratic platform of candidates, of Federal candidates, which did not include certain Republican members. Because you can't trust the Democratic Party as a whole, but you could trust the testable qualities of leadership, of proven leadership of certain Democratic and certain Republican candidates.

And since we need *unity* in this case, we should not get ourselves tied up in a struggle between the Democratic and Republican tickets at this time. That should be our policy, right now. No showdown between Republicans and Democrats, per se. What we need, is an assembly of proven merit, in terms of potential candidates of both tickets, particularly the leaders, the best ones. And bring them together for a common cause. Let them be members of different parties, but let them be, first, citizens of the nation, and representatives of the citizenship of the nation. We want the best minds of both parties, in particular. We want to get rid of the rubbish of both parties. Dump it by the wayside, at the same time.

So we now must be acting, *now, at this moment!*, before Christmas, to get this bum out of office, and to understand that we need to get a selection of candidates who represent the best selection of Federal candidates, on both tickets, together. So we are going to make decisions on world affairs, on the basis of the interests of the nation and the world.

We are going to act—which we won't otherwise—we're going to act to bring ourselves together, in collaboration, not only with people in Europe and other places, but also in the East, in Asia, in the great nations of Asia, in particular. Because we have a job to do, in building not only the world, our world, but we have to get into space, now.

Look to the Future

The nature of mankind is—it may not look like that—but for some time, many of us have recognized, going back to the time of World War II and afterward, particularly the 1950s, we began to recognize, that mankind could not continue to confine our habitation to Earth itself. That our Earth-bound population must extend itself to become a space-bound population, as well. There are things we have to deal with, which constitute potential threats to mankind, from things floating in nearby space. Just like that big hunk of rock that passed between the Moon and Earth, and could have smashed our world to pieces.

So we need to get out there, in order to protect mankind on Earth from environmental threats. We need to explore the Solar System around us, for the same purpose. We have to extend our reach into the galaxy *of which we are a part*, and we have to find ways in which we can adapt man to the ability to live and function in space, and in a space environment, on that basis.

So we need, at this time, a sense of a world and national unity, a collaboration among nations, and close collaboration within the ranks of our own leadership, inside the United States. Without that kind of thought, as we go into this crisis today, I don't think we can make it. I just don't think it can happen. We can't wait. We can't wait until some last minute, to make these decisions on how the government is going to be composed.

We know this guy must be thrown out of office. We know the British monarchy is our deadly enemy, as it *always has been*, since the Revolutionary War. We know that we have needs for alliance and collaboration with other nations.

NASA

One of the leading areas for joint scientific work between the United States and Russia is space exploration. Here, a picture of the International Space Station, with the shuttle Endeavour attached, taken from the Russian Soyuz transport vehicle.

For example, let's take one thing that we're dealing with in our organization in particular now: The future of mankind on this planet lies *immediately*, in the withdrawal of ice from the Arctic region, and the opening up of the Arctic region for the shift of human activity into the Arctic region, rather than the present.

Now, the technology for doing that, has already begun; it's there. This development is absolutely necessary for mankind's role on Earth. It is also integrally necessary, for our extension, going back to the Moon, going ahead with the Mars project, and other kinds of things, areas which seems totally inhospitable, but which mankind can *make* hospitable, which we can discover how to deal with! This is the future of mankind.

And we have to get out from this past thing, this idea, this lurking idea, of *going to a thermonuclear war? From which the human species might not survive?* Probably would not survive, or at least not survive in any significant degree. We need to get rid of the policy that leads to that confrontation. Which would destroy humanity. We must throw out of office, those who would violate that, in all parts of the world.

We have great projects to perform, great discoveries beyond our present reach, to become able to deal with. These issues, facing us the next two generations and beyond, these are the issues of the remainder of this century: We must now proceed to begin to address those issues on behalf of the present mankind, both in this century, the remainder of it, and beyond. If we think in those terms, and we look at what mankind has accomplished in this way, in the past, in this direction, and say, "We're going to do it again. We're going to make the next leap, for the next three-quarters of a century, as we made certain leaps in the last half-century, and in the century before that." There is no limitation we can put on how far we're going to go, and must go.

So we need a new Presidency, a new conception of politics, a refreshed planet, which understands the challenges of today, into the remainder of this century. We must begin to mobilize ourselves, with long-term investments which lead in that direction. We must, above all, reeducate and inspire our citizens, with the mentality which enables them to attack, successfully, the kinds of challenges, which lie beyond escape from the present, immediate threat of a general thermonuclear war, which would, at the least, determine an extensive extermination of humanity throughout this planet.

And it is better to withdraw a bad President from office, than to allow a global extermination.

Thank you.

Dialogue with LaRouche

Q: On removing Obama, who would you replace him with?

LaRouche: That's easy: Almost anybody! [laughter] That's first.

Seriously, we have plenty of candidates who are qualified, as he is not. He absolutely is not qualified. He's a menace to civilization.

Q: Well, I was told he was more "selected" than "elected."

LaRouche: He was not properly elected, but that doesn't mean anything. Because if we elect a guy who's a bum, he's still a bum and we throw him out.

Q: But those that selected him, would not allow him to be put out of office. And if such a situation would arise, I'm quite sure they would have someone to step in to fulfill whatever their agenda might be.

LaRouche: Well, the point is, throw him out! Throw him out; it's very easy to get a replacement. It can be done very easily.

Q: Okay. Thank you.

Courage: Now or Never

Q: I just moved here to work on Diane's campaign. Because she's going to win! She's going to win and we're all going to be better for it.

But the real challenge that keeps coming up in the field, and quite honestly with many people in this room—many of the lovely people in this room—the question of the idea that mankind, that it's not that things are getting worse at a faster rate, but that mankind is entering a situation where the world as we know it, is going to be dramatically shifted, dramatically changed. So talking about Biden versus Obama, or what do you think about Ron Paul, or fractal geometry, or whatever the hell people want to talk about—I guess I have a question, because, you brought up the two points being World War III and sense-perception not being truthful.

You've also been talking about metaphor, how can we really—because it seems like this is what the organizing is really about, is to give people a sense that there's a whole new world that they're going to be in, and we're going to lead it. And you can't see it. I was blown away! Because you can tell people, "World War III" and they kind of get it because they have the sense that they're going to be blown up or something, or it's going to be bad, and our generation is so messed up that some people are looking forward to it. But the thing that blew me away, is that a lot of people, in this room, and that you talk to in the field, they're more scared that we *might not* get World War III, that we might get Obama out, we might get Glass-Steagall, and then you'd have a revolution!

And so, I was wondering if you have anything to say to that. Because that seems to be the big block, that you have with people. That's why it seems like they want to talk about these other things....

LaRouche: No, well, actually, the problem is, they're cowardly. And in many cases they're induced to be cowardly, because they don't see the organizable forces being pulled together which are needed to do what is absolutely necessary. And you find most politicians are wimps, when it comes to facing reality; and most citizens, because they see the politicians are wimps, they decide to become wimps, too. They may become very angry, but angry to no purpose. They become enraged at what's being done to them, and may have strange kinds of reactions to the fact that they are enraged by what's been done to them, but they have no constructive sense of what the action is that they must take.

And the problem is, we don't have leaders, who are leaders! Most of the members of Congress, as far as their behavior is concerned, in the Congress, are not behaving as leaders. They've lost that! I know many of them, and they're sitting back there *doing nothing* for the cause, because they don't think it's "their time" to do that! And the point is the time is *now*, in which either we do this, or we're not going to have a civilization!

So the chance for winning, the chance for the survival of civilization, now depends upon a lot of people who think they are not ready to act, and because without that action by them, there's not going to be a solution. And their excuse is, "It wasn't time for me to act. It was not time for me to act."

And therefore, the death of humanity will be expressed by those who say, "It was not time to act."

Now, the alternative is, you've got to know what the action is, and how the time for action is determined. But if we do not throw this President out of office, in the near future, you're not going to have a United States, so there's no discussion to have, unless that decision is made. Once you decide to throw him out of office, then you have a game to play. If you don't throw him out of office, kiss the United States goodbye while you can, because you won't have one if he remains in office, and

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U.S. Senators were not always the gutless wonders they are today. Here, a number of Democratic Senators rally around a statue of Franklin Delano Roosevelt in February of 2005, when they were fighting to save Social Security from George W. Bush's assault.

that's a fact!

All the arguments to the contrary are absolute nonsense. There is no fact out there, which justifies *not* throwing him out of office *now!* And you won't have a United States and you won't have a nation, unless you do.

And that's the question: Who's got the guts to do what is necessary? We simply have to throw this guy out of office. If we do, we can survive. That doesn't mean we're guaranteed we're going to survive, but we have a chance. If you keep this guy in office, for any extended period now, you're not going to have a United States to talk about. There's not going to be a Presidency to talk about!

How To Get Politicians To Act

Q: I've been following you for decades, since '75, actually, back when I was at [State University of New York at] Stony Brook. A lot of your information has panned out, and I have seen that a lot of the fusion information, as well as the space technology information, has gone from being public information to classified information, and now they're pushing that into privatized corporate structures, that only serve the British Empire and other structures like that, other empires. How do we make the transition from this current system of Presidency in the United States, and make our Constitution basically global? And do that successfully. Right off the bat, when you get rid of Obama, you're going to alienate at least half of this country—

LaRouche: No. Not at all.

Q: The thing is, a lot of the politicians—like Nancy Pelosi just made an announcement a few weeks ago. They're allowing these politicians to get rich from insider-trading information. So you're basically saying, "We're going to cut off your gravy train, so we can make a change that's going to help the entire world. There's no guarantee this is going to work, but I know if you want to survive, you're not going to have that."

So how do we change these politicians' minds, when they think they're doing this for their own personal survival?

LaRouche: They're not really. Most of these politicians are not really that kind of person these days. What you have is a depressed political class, among the members of Congress. They are giving in, they are going along to get along. They don't have the guts to do anything, and most of the things they do wrong, are simply a result of the lack of guts to do right.

I've known many of these politicians, previously. In the nature of my work, I know the international situation intimately, including high levels of governments. I know generally the high levels of our own government in the United States; we have personal contact with them, and in various ways. I know them.

Throw the Bum Out!

The majority of the American people want no part of this President. *They want him out, period!* And they will not accept anything, until you tell them, you're throwing him out. They have become demoralized, because they fear that this President is going to remain President, and they say they're enraged; they point to the rage, that you can expect violence, which comes when hopeless rage provokes violence.

And there's no way—and this is not a race question, because Obama's the enemy of Africa! The British Empire is the enemy of Africa; Africa's a colony of the British Empire! It's a homicidal reign of the British Empire over Africa! And there are very few people who are intelligent, who believe that Obama is a friend of

the black people: It's a nonsense thing. He's a disease, not a person. He's a mental disease.

He's an exact copy, psychologically, of the Emperor Nero! Go look at the Emperor Nero's record; it's all over the place. Look at it. That's your Obama! And that's what he did, and that's what he will do. That's what he is doing! You are not going to have a United States, unless you throw this bum out, and quick! We can't wait for the next election: We won't *have* a nation by that time. He's got to be thrown out, now. If he's not thrown out now, forget the United States: It's dead! And most of the people in it. And we'll probably have a thermonuclear war on top of that.

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An overwhelming majority of the American people hate Obama, and are more than eager to see him leave office. Here, protests against Obamacare in 2009; Occupy Wall Street protests in 2011; and protests in front of the White House against the illegal Libyan War earlier this year.

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So if you want to prevent those things from happening, if you care about the nation enough to prevent those things from happening, you're going to throw him out. And you will find, you will get the greatest applause you ever imagined, from the majority of the American people, the minute this guy goes out of office. Because then, they will begin to believe that they can do something!

Right now we have a population that's gone through—over the period from Obama's Presidency acquisition, from the Summer of 2009—when they began to hate him, because he's a murderer. He's exactly the murderer I described; they began to hate him. And they got to hate him more.

Then they became, not hateful, but despairing. And that's dangerous: no guts. We've got to give the American people back their guts. Because the politicians don't have the guts, except for a few. It's not that they're bad, they just don't have the guts, and having no guts in a war, is rather bad, a bad thing to have.

And therefore, we who care, must at all risk do what we must, to save this civilization. And the fact that we will do that, and that more of us will do that, will give courage back to our friends and neighbors.

And after all, this system is based on the idea of trying to have friends and neighbors, not all these quarrels. We're trying to find the common interests of mankind, which we can serve, and we're trying to define the terms of cooperation which are the actual urgent priorities for mankind now, to agree on those priorities, and to take on the other issues as well. And we'll find that if we find ourselves cooperating on common issues, we'll

find, we'll come to agreements. Because if we have very much that we prize in our neighbor, in our agreement with our neighbor, we find it easy to agree with him on other things, or to find a way of working it out.

The fact that we're now in a situation where people are *desperate*, because they have no confidence that anything good is going to happen, they're essentially enraged. And those who are not enraged actively, are despondent. They're terrorized; they're saying, "Nothing is going to work." We have to restore *confidence* in the people in themselves. And confidence of the people in themselves, is giving them back their authority. And those of us who are leaders, and who have proven that we can take the heat, of doing what I do, are able to lead. And there are a lot of people out there, who will be easily able to lead, if we make it possible for them to have confidence that they can do it.

I've got it all throughout the United States: People who were, you know, angry a few years ago, are now despairing. They're sitting there just saying, *"There's nothing we can do!* There's no hope for us! There's nothing that's going to happen, that's going to do us any good!" And they're sitting there, terrorized by that kind of situation, and they've lost their confidence.

Those of us who have the courage to stand up and have the capability to stand up, and to present the alternative, have as the chief job, to bring the confidence of our people back, the confidence in themselves, the confidence that what they're doing *means something*. And right now, the problem of most people out there, when they see the conditions of their neighbors; for example, they see their neighbors are being destroyed, and they say, "We're next." And they're sitting there, telling themselves, "There's not a damned thing we can do about it."

My job is to say the things that have to be said, which will give the people back the courage to say, "Yes, I will say that, too." And once that starts, we've won.

Q: I agree totally, the Congress is just terrible. My Congressman had a teleconference call, and I left comments at the end of the call, and this was when the Libya thing began, and I complained about the fact that Obama had not gone to Congress for anything before it all started. And the written response I got, well, I had a nice letter. The opening paragraph was, "Well, gee, isn't it too bad, he didn't go and contact Congress about it?" And then the rest of the letter was just a bunch of gobbledygook!

What can we do about getting these Congressmen to act?

And the other thing I'd like to say, is: I notice you didn't use a teleprompter.

LaRouche: No, I don't like teleprompters, I don't get along with 'em. They're busybodies, always interrupt you!

No, we are going to do something, and we are doing something! Now, I'm a fighter, but in certain ways. I'm not out there in the street, punching people out or things like that. But on issues of this type, I've spent my life—and I'm now close to 90—I've spent my life on this kind of issue, and I have a certain sense of how you fight such a fight, and I'm doing it. It's what I do, it's what I know how to do. I'm not going to be running for President; I'm a little bit old for that, as you might have perceived. But I'm certainly going to do everything possible to create the next President as a success story. And I think I've got enough influence in various parts of the world, actually, to pull that off. All I need is a little more cooperation.

What Makes Classical Culture Different?

Q: . . .We've probably met before, but I considered myself an old friend of Jerry [Pyenson], one of your organizers that passed away not too long ago. . . . It took two to three years for him to actually get me to warm up to your organization, and then when he passed away, it felt like I lost a rock that I was actually standing on.

One of my questions to you is, you know, sometimes it's easy to present these ideas to people who are around my age, but when I try to present it to people who are older, so-called elitists, they just throw it away altogether. One, how do I confront these people? And two, what are the main differences and main characteristics that define Classical culture, that are different from our culture now?

LaRouche: Well, the problem is, Classical culture's correct, and what's happened, the destruction of Classical culture, has been an essential part of the destruction of the mental capabilities of the population. Classical culture has a very specific significance. What happens, when it becomes merely "entertainment," without criteria, then the people lose their mooring.

The key issue here is always, in humanity, is what we call creativity. Now, creativity is not, you know, "variation"; it is not innovation. Creativity respects certain principles of the *mind*, which only really Classical

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"Classical culture has a very specific, unique role in developing the powers of the human mind," LaRouche said, in a response to a question on its role. Here, a string quartet plays in celebration of Robert Schumann's 200th anniversary.

cultures can convey.

What we've had, is, people have lost their connection, or never had it, to Classical culture. And therefore, they go out in life, and they find themselves crippled by the lack of Classical culture's access. In other words, to think, to think creatively, occurs only in Classical culture. Now, there's authentic Classical culture, and there are authentic Classical cultures, and we can trace them back all the way to the Classical Greek, in particular, which is fairly well known. We have other cases of that, Classical culture, and they come in different sizes, so to speak, and different flavors, but they all have certain characteristics. And it's a subject in itself, as to what Classical culture is. It's one of my specialties, but I don't find everybody's familiar with that specialty!

But Classical culture has a very specific, unique role in developing the powers of the human mind. And the lack of development of the human mind, in that direction, is actually an impediment to progress. It doesn't mean you're bad; it means that you have not acquired this weapon, shall we say, the weapon of progress, the present weapon of mental progress. And we have denied most people in society a familiarity with what this concept is, and therefore, they're cut off from something they should have the right to know, and the right to experience.

If someone was given, say in music, a real systemic education in what musical composition is, they would find it not difficult to begin to understand what it's all about; and they would be able to understand what's wrong with the alternative. Because, when you discover that you have powers of your own mind, which you discover you were not using, and now you begin to get acquisition to those powers of the mind that you weren't using, you begin to find that you are much more important than you thought you were! And it's that role of Classical culture which is, shall we say, the beginning, entry point, of Classical culture: when people realize there's something *there*, which they can't get in any other way, and it means something *to them*, that they understand *themselves* better, than they did before, then, they find a source of strength in that.

And the first thing I'm concerned about, is the inner sense of the source of strength inside the person. Classical culture, as any—for instance, scientific education and so forth—these things strengthen the person *inside*, because they have access to *more power* over society, society's condition, than they do otherwise. In the sense, when they say, "Well, I am somebody! I am something, I mean something. I'm not just a thing. I got something inside me, that you need to know. I got something inside me I need to give you!"

And when you can say that to your audience around you, you feel strong. You feel happy. The world is more yours. You don't have to excuse yourself for what you are. You don't have to make apologies for what you are. "I learned something yesterday, buddy! And it's good!"

And that's the kind of thing I would like to have conveyed to people who ask this question: exactly that. We have accesses, probably with Classical art, and so forth, and science, we have the means to enable people to make breakthroughs, even on a fairly limited, beginning basis, where they can appreciate what their mind is, what it represents. And once you're sure that your *mind* means something, then you're empowered, and you're not easily crushed. You don't have to apologize for yourself.

Q: And to that end, I was watching this video that you had, with Jussi Björling's grandson, your wife, and yourself, "The Classical Revolution." And I thought it

was interesting, this guy who was your friend, Norbert Brainin, mentioned something, and it was really heartfelt the way he presented it: that he'd been holding something in his heart for a long time, and the only other person who understood it, was you. So could you elaborate on what exactly that was?

LaRouche: Well, he was a real genius, absolutely unique. He was of Jewish origin from Austria, and when the Hitler problem became so active, he was among those who fled and went to England. And when he got to England, he found he was put in prison, or a kind of prison, because he was of German pedigree—even though a Jewish victim of Hitler! And, therefore, he and his friends were stuck into a kind of British prison.

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Musical genius Norbert Brainin, who was the first violinist in the Amadeus Quartet, formed a close personal friendship with LaRouche. Here the two are shown together in December of 1987.

Then there was a slight improvement in his circumstances, and he and the Quartet became one of the greatest musical groups in all modern history, an absolutely remarkable achievement.

And he came to meeting a friend of mine, on the streets of Paris, when something I'd written was there, and he was fascinated by that, and by that, we became close friends, and remained that until his death. He was actually a first-rate genius; his work is remarkable. If you understand the string quartet in particular, he's absolutely remarkable, in what he and the team did, the Amadeus Quartet.

This is part of the beauty of life! He's dead, unfortunately; he was actually younger than I was, but he was one of those geniuses, and a center of radiation of genius, in that and other ways. We had, at that point in our association, until prior to his death, we were associated through this group of people in Europe and elsewhere, with all the greatest musicians, or most of the greatest musicians, then living in Europe and the United States. And believe me, that was a happy experience: When you find yourself with your next-door neighbor, your closest friend, and your contacts, are all people who love what you love, and are part of the same thing that you're part of, then it's a pretty good feeling.

And one of the things that's good about artistic and other work, and scientific work, is a by-product of that; you find something in yourself, which you really respect: You are participating in something which is important to you, which defines your life as meaningful. You have all these wonderful musicians, the greatest musical talent that existed in the world in that time. These are all sort of my friends, in this group, along with Norbert and so forth.

Do you want anything better than that in life? And there are things like that, in other forms of life, in science and so forth. These are the things that count, and these are the experiences that are precious for you, when all your friends are dead. Like, I'm getting to this age of nearly 90, and I've got a lot of "all my friends are dead" cases. But I have memories of these people, memories of these old friends, and this is one of the most beautiful experiences of my life. And thus, I wish everyone would have the same experience.

Organizing: Surprise People!

Q: I'm from Brooklyn, and I'm not exactly sure what my question is, as a question, so I'm just going to kind of throw some things out here.

Since I've been involved in the LaRouche organization, I've come to know things I never knew before, and I get very frustrated with trying to go out there and do the type of organizing and talk to people and get them to understand what's going on, and get them to *do* something about it. So, I've been thinking about all types of things to do beyond what I've already done. And I'm not trying toot my own horn, or anything, I'm just trying to get people in this audience to understand that maybe if they're feeling this way, it's because this

is what we have to do.

So, if we're part of this organization, this is what we have to do: We have to get that frustration to build up, to start annoying people enough, and giving out enough materials, and going through enough reflection on what to do. So, I've even thought of writing an op-ed to the *New York Times*, I've thought of handing out material on buses, you know, making charts that show what Glass-Steagall is; going through a lot of the things that we as individuals have to come to, to really fight what's going on, and get Obama thrown out.

So, what are some of the really practical things, that we can do, to make this happen? Because if I have to write the op-ed—I'm working with colleagues within the organization, now, to get something through the UFT [United Federation of Teachers] on Glass-Steagall—we've met with all types of sophistry, every time we introduce this resolution, and yet we keep plugging at it, so now we think, after months of really hard work, we'll finally get this through the UFT.

Then there are other places, and things I've thought of doing, talking to Congresspeople, going to their offices, like we did for Glass-Steagall, and the Homeowners and Bank Protection Act. And now it's at the point where I'm getting to feel that I need to hand out stuff on buses, write to the *New York Times*, write to Congresspeople. Who are these military people that we need to contact, that have been in contact with you? Maybe we need to jump on their case, too.

So, I think the people in the audience are feeling that, and we need to know some really practical ways of getting this to happen.

LaRouche: Well, as you know, the greatest thing to experience, is a surprise. See, you walk in to talk to somebody, and what they're going to do—as you know, from experience—the first thing you're going to run into in most cases, is they're going to prediscount anything you've got to say. I don't care whether they've seen you for the first time, know who you are, or don't know who you are, or whatever. The tendency, on the one hand, is to try to ingratiate themselves with you. One side. Or to pretend to doubt you, and say, "Where're you getting that from?"

Q: Exactly!

LaRouche: Therefore, the greatest element of art, is the element of surprise. And you know what that is, you know what it is in music, you know what it is in science and so forth. If you want to get a class awakened in a schoolroom, you have to surprise them.

EIRNS/Stuart Lewis

LPAC organizer Jessica White, a teacher who worked indefatigably and successfully to get the American Federation of Teachers to endorse Glass-Steagall, asked LaRouche a question on what was the next "practical" step to be taken to get Obama out.

Q: That's true.

LaRouche: Because if they can prediscount you, they're just going to sleep there and watch you. If you surprise them, in a way they can not deny, then they're going to show some respect, and they're going to respond. And they're going to start asking you things, rather than trying to tell you things. And this often comes, in terms of what you're talking about, in getting in front of certain strange audiences. In front of a classroom you may feel perfectly comfortable; you know the territory, you know how the people are, you've got them cased even before you get in there. If you go out in the streets with strangers, you're not so sure that you can pull the element of surprise.

When you get out in the street more, or in these situations more, then you begin to get more self-confidence, and realize that when you're in the classroom, you're self-confident, and when you're out of the classroom, you're not as self-confident. But, you find, "Okay, if I understand that, that's the way this game is being played. I've got to get in there, and not be hesitant, but go in there with certain caution, but a certain cleverness." And you're going to give them a pleasant surprise, that's going to get their attention, and they're going to start thinking. They're not going to react to you; they're going to start thinking about what you're going to say.

But once they're thinking about what you are saying, you've got the situation in hand: It's all yours then. And

however far it can go.

And the whole thing is, how do you define your self-confidence, the proper self-confidence; how do you keep from exaggerating it? In the classroom, you know how to do it. You know exactly what the rules are, implicitly. And in a different environment, you may not be so confident—"This is an environment I don't know as well," and you may be more hesitant. Well, the best thing to do, is just practice it, and get involved with other people, the intermediate thing, where you can have more discussions with small groups of people, and things like that. And get their reactions to you, in a friendly response area.

Q: And that's what we should do?

LaRouche: Yes. And so, we should make sure we're forming small groupings, where we work together, in a small group, and we discuss what's going on out there, not the classroom area as such, necessarily, but some other area. And you broaden your ability, your confidence in dealing with a larger thing. And so, the more you do that way, the more strength and confidence you have in doing it. I think the prognosis for you is very good!

Q: Thank you!

DoD/Helene C. Stikkel

The U.S. military command has been the most significant force in the U.S., other than LaRouche and his movement, to intervene to stop Obama from going to war. Here, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Martin Dempsey.

A Question of Trust

Q: Anyway, my question is—speaking of surprises, I was very surprised, when the *New York Times*, about a week ago, came out with this bombshell exposé of the Department of Justice laundering hundreds of millions, maybe billions of dollars in drug money. What significance do you think this has in terms of removing Obama from office? Does this represent a signal on the part of a faction of the establishment, that they're getting ready to pull the plug on Obama? And how important do you think this Fast & Furious scandal is, in terms of creating a kind of Watergate-like environment, that would enable us to remove Obama?

LaRouche: Well, Fast & Furious is obviously going to be a factor which is *used* politically in the present situation. This is not a simple kind of situation, but there are many conflicting kinds of interests involved, particularly when something is not going too well. There's a tendency of someone to start lynching their neighbor: "We've got some competition here; I've got to lynch this guy, who I was associated with," that sort of thing.

So you're in a chaotic situation, in which there's nothing positive coming out of this President. Nothing positive, for anybody who's serious. Just as a citizen, of any kind of interest. There's nothing for them in this President. He represents no good. He is a no-good President, and worse.

So therefore you have a tendency for people to jump ship. For example, you will tend to have people going from Republican to Democrat and Democrat to Republican, in various ways, similar things like that. There is very little inherent stability in the affinity tendencies within society today. Very few people trust anybody else. And the trust among people is much lowered than what it had been even when Obama came into office.

Think back what it was like, when Obama was first in office. He was a bum! And I knew it. But in the first period of his incumbency, I was in a situation where I was working with people who were then working with Obama. I knew what he was, I knew he had been incarnated as President, in some fashion or other.

But then, I began to see, after a couple of bills that were put through [Treasury Secretary Tim] Geithner, I saw what was really going on! And therefore, in the following year, in the following Spring, I had a complete diagnosis, and a fully accurate diagnosis of exactly what this guy was, exactly what he was going to do. He's a carbon copy, psychologically, of Emperor Nero, and stuck into office, powerful office, he was going to

act like the Emperor Nero, more and more, as the Emperor Nero himself acted more and more, like the Emperor Nero! As he began killing people indiscriminately. Which is what this guy's doing now.

So, those are the kinds of problems we face. We're in a situation, in which the lack of the sign of a quality of leadership emerging, which could be trusted to do something which is needed badly, now; the lack of that confidence is holding the American population at bay. They don't know whom they can trust! And the more the Democrats continue to support Obama, and when they see the mess that the Republican assortment is, right now, the American people tend to lose confidence in their own future. They don't have somebody they think is even a decent guy they could trust as a bad President. You know, people often say, "You know, that President's no damned good, but I've got to support him, he's the President." Right? But that doesn't exist any more!

This guy is pure bum, and there's no sign from the Democratic Party that they're going to do anything about it. And my assessment, in looking at this situation, is—and it's a good assessment, it's a knowledgeable assessment—there are a great number, relatively speaking, of Republicans, whom I would prefer over a large number of Democrats; and somewhat vice versa. So therefore, I realize that what we need to do, this time, and the way we need to think about how we deal with the social situation out there; we have to think on the *merit of the citizen, not the partisanship*.

Yes, partisanship is not indifferent. It's not an indifferent question. *But*, we've come to a time, when there's been so much betrayal of what people thought they trusted, that today you could only bring together an effective force in the Congress, by putting the partisan aspect a little bit to one side. And when it comes to the issue, it should be the issue as such, and the implications of that issue, which we go with.

When we get to that point, if we think we can possibly win, if we think we can possibly get Obama out of office, I think you will see a revolutionary change in the reaction of the population.

For example, if the word came out today, the Democratic Party is dumping Obama because he's a bum, for the obvious reasons of cause, for which he'd be dumped, then you would find a revolution in politics, because the Democratic Party would, by and large, begin to become the Democratic Party again, at least in the rank and file. And at the same time, you would have Republicans, who, having looked at some of the Republican candidates, would say "Awh! Not that for me, this time!" And they would say, "It's much better to be a citizen, in holding office in the United States, than to be a citizen, being held in office by a party."

And that's what we have; you probably heard some of that today. The report that was given today, was the fact that we're functioning as citizens of the nation, first, and when we run in office in a state, for Federal office in a state, we're running as *citizens of the United States*, not members of the state, primarily; but associated with the state, in a secondary role, on the state level. And that's the way it should be.

And I think that that kind of formulation, once the shakeup were to occur, in which Obama had been thrown out, I think you will find a strong *bipartisan* tendency among the incumbents on the Federal level, while they might continue to have a state influence on the state level.

And I think that's where we should be headed right now, because I know, under those circumstances—for example, on the military question, we have a number of people who are tied to the U.S. military, at the highest level, and similar levels. They are actually more competent on some aspects of the military question, and I trust them on that. I trust their instincts; I know them. So therefore, you would have some people, because of their state-level concerns, or other concerns, professional concerns, who might be more suited for the Republican Party at this time. Fine, so what? So therefore, we have a mixture of Republicans and Democrats, and maybe an Independent or two thrown in here or there (not actually thrown in, but that sort of thing).

And under those circumstances, I think if we can get that now, if we can get that understanding in the month of December, I think we've got it made. Because we're going into the early part of the next year, and then things are going to get sort of closed up in preparations for the coming Presidential elections and state elections.

This is the time, this immediate time. And I think it's possible. And I think it's necessary for me, for example, to do everything possible to make it happen. Which is what I'm trying to do.

Why the British Empire Is the Key

Q: I'm from New Jersey, and I was brought up in a Communist country, so I see right away what the occupant of the White House is doing. He's not governing, he's ruling, and he's a communistic dictator. That's what he is!

White House/Pete Souza

The British are the only empire on this planet, and they control U.S. President Barack Obama. To get our nation back, Obama has to be removed.

And I was just wondering: He did so much crime and damage in this country—I came here in 1971, after the Russian invasion, which was in 1968—and when he was campaigning, I knew right away, when he said I'm not going to govern, I'm going to rule, and "hope and change," "yes, we can"—that's what Castro did when he was campaigning. But I think the American people, they were sleeping. I mean, they are very naive, and sometimes dumb!

I'm sorry! Because you don't know what Communism is! It's misery, tyranny, and slavery. When I came here, I kissed the ground, because I was so happy, I am now in a free country. And when I see this bum, what he's doing, it breaks my heart—I'm getting so upset! Yes, he should be thrown out, kicked out, from the office, and I don't know why it wasn't done. Why? Can anybody explain it to me? The whole country knows. He said, I'm going to be a unifier—no, he became a divider. And he is a racist. And it's just unbelievable. I mean, he is deliberately sabotaging this country. We can have jobs here.

My question is, because Mr. LaRouche said that the Empire of England, that he is their outcome. No! He is a communist, a communistic dictator. He doesn't have anything to do with the British Empire. That's my question.

LaRouche: No, the British Empire *is* the problem, that is the problem. It's the only empire on this planet. For example, let's take the case of Africa: The entirety of Africa is a British colony, and it's a mass murderous British colony. And similar kinds of things. For example, Saudi Arabia is a tool of the British Empire: 9/11 was organized by the British, with the collaboration of the Saudis in terms of that operation: That's a fact!

So what you have is, you have evil on this planet, as well as some things that are not evil. And the British Empire, and what it's done to Africa, is an example of evil.

You have also, in the nature of the old systems of government, you have many cultures which have elements of oppression characteristic of the government. This characteristic of the government comes from the old monarchical system, the oligarchical system, in which—in all oligarchical systems—there's a tendency of complete repression. Sometimes it's silent repression, sometimes it's violent and loud repression. But people get to know, that if you do certain things in a certain way, you get punished; one way or the other, things happen to you that wouldn't happen otherwise.

So you have, in most of the systems in Asia, we've gone through that. We've had cases like that in the South in the United States, in the slavery system, which was introduced here. It was very similar. So we have *repression* as such, in many manifestations, throughout the world.

We in the United States, are relatively free of most of it, of the worst of it. Other countries are more susceptible to it. But the way I approach it, is not to worry about that aspect as such, but to look for the cure. The cure lies in what the potential of the individual mind is, the culture, the development of that human mind. And anything that represses that potential, bothers me. And should bother anyone. In the United States, we have relatively—or have had, relatively, the greatest relative freedom of any part of the world. We've achieved it.

But now, in the recent period, since Bill Clinton left office, we've had nothing but tyranny, oppressive tyranny. And the British are a tyrannical power. They kill more people, the British kill more people on this planet than anybody else, by all kinds of methods. But the repressive methods in Africa and elsewhere, in other parts of the world, they're there, they're reality. I'm very familiar with them. And I know what happens in Europe and other parts of the world, this way.

We Have To Get Our Nation Back!

Q: I'd like to ask you a question in three parts, really quick: First part, if I have your permission, I would like to give my support to Hillary, under the duress that she has to deal with every day with Mr. Barack Obama. And I don't know how close you are to Bill, but if it's possible, you could encourage him to maybe make a public statement about what Obama has done to his wife. And third, I'd like to work with the Philadelphia chapter, to try to put something in writing to the local papers about how he's brutalized her, when she's doing her part to keep our world at peace.

Thank you.

LaRouche: Okay, well, I think the only solution for that thing is to throw him out of office. He's not going to be reformed. He may be imprisoned or something, or put into a mental asylum, but he's not going to be reformed. The prognosis is, he's got an incurable evil inside him, and that's not going to be changed. The point is, when we get that kind of situation, we may elect people to office, we discover they have these characteristics, we should throw them out. We can't say, "They have 'rights'" when they're abusing the rights of others! Are you going to attack the lesser, or the greater evil?

If a person in power is oppressing people, from a position of power, it's *they* who must be removed, not the people punished for objecting to them. And the problem now, is because of what's happened, since the killing of John F. Kennedy, the United States has no longer had the morality it had at the moment that John F. Kennedy was killed; and particularly, when his brother was also killed.

And this was during the period of the Indo-China War, which would *never* have happened, if Kennedy had not been killed. He was supported fully by Gen. Douglas MacArthur, in his opposition to the very idea of the Indo-China War. And he was killed *because he opposed the war!* Which the British demanded that it be done to him! That's the truth. His brother was killed for the same reason. Bobby was already about to be nominated as the Democratic candidate for President, at the moment he was murdered.

The murder of the two Kennedys spelled out the cause for all the suffering which has occurred, as a trend since that time. This is not to say that Jack and Bob were great spirits of genius, or something; they were both very intelligent people. But the issue here, they were legitimately—one, the President, one would have been the President, if he'd lived to become President. The killing of these two changed the character of the United States, to one of degeneracy with Nixon, and *we never really won it back!*

Reagan was Reagan, who was a break in some of the worst elements there, and played some good roles. Bill Clinton was exceptionally good. He had certain shortfalls in terms of what his ability to perform was, but he was a good choice otherwise, and for two terms, that's really remarkable under the circumstances. Once Bill was out of office, no! The Hell came in!

And you look and see, what's the history of this? Well: George H.W. Bush, and George W. Bush were offspring of the Bush who, in New York, put Hitler into power in Germany! He moved the money, together with the British, into Germany, when Hitler was about to be thrown out of politics for legal reasons, and Hitler was put suddenly into a position of power, again, for the purpose of creating the coup which brought Hitler into power. And this was done by Prescott Bush, the father of George H.W. Bush, and the grandfather of George W. Bush!

These people were both tied in, anyway, to the Wall Street crowd which had fully backed Adolf Hitler! And as soon as we had won the war against Hitler in the invasion of Northern Europe, the British went back to supporting the same policies, which the British had used to put Hitler into power in Germany. And that's the nature of things.

And it's when we understand the true history of how the people of the United States became demoralized, with the sense of betrayal, and misleadership, and lack of trust of anything—.

You know, what happened after Bobby was killed, and this process started: We have never been the same, as a nation; we have never been courageous, as a nation, since these things happened, since the assassination of Kennedy. And we all knew it was an assassination, not by some oddball, but a deliberate killing to eliminate a President of the United States, because he was an obstacle to British policy. And his brother, when then, about to become a candidate for the Presidency, a Democratic candidate, was killed, too. And then, Hell broke loose! And it's been getting worse, most of the time, since. And the case of Bill Clinton was sort of a miracle that came in the middle of the sandwich, somewhere along the line.

That's where we are: We now have to get our nation back. And we have to have the guts and the wisdom, to do the things that will bring that back, now!

Was It Hillary's Error?

by Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.

Thursday, December 8, 2011

Given my personal role in the relevant international matters, an unfortunate remark concerning Russia's Prime Minister Vladimir Putin which has been attributed to Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, has been exploited to the effect of putting the possibility of avoiding a thermonuclear war into jeopardy.

So far, since an impeachable U.S. Presidency's role in the authorship of the outright murder of an already defeated and captive Libyan President Muammar Qaddafi, the immediate danger of a count-down to thermonuclear warfare among nations, had been delayed chiefly by the opposition to such action from, chiefly, both leading general officers of the United States and carefully crafted actions from the present government of Russia.

I do not presume that the intention as such of either Hillary Clinton or Vladimir Putin is originally at fault in this case; but, there is no doubt that Mrs. Clinton's reported remarks have been a very serious blunder in their effects on the present global situation. Given the circumstances, including the role of the monstrously insane Emperor Nero-like British puppet, President Barack Obama, which I shall not explain at this time, the remarks attributed to her have been, most unfortunately, a grave mistake to have been uttered at this time. The effect has been to play into the hands of a man long known to me as a British agent-in-fact, and a long-standing personal enemy of mine and also of Prime Minister Vladimir Putin, former Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachov.

Nominally, it is to be admitted, that the U.S.A. is, most unfortunately tied to and something like a captive of a morally and mentally incompetent madman whom most American citizens presently despise, but whom most of our leading political figures have so far lacked the courage to impeach, President Barack Obama. Secretary Clinton is thus placed in the difficult position of seeking to defend U.S. interests despite her being held, virtually as a British imperial captive to a reigning, Emperor-Nero-like madman in the White House.

Just to make clear the relevant global issues presently in sight, for those who are not actually silly, or worse, kissers of the British Royal, drug-pushing butt, consider the following points.

Only the warning signs from both the U.S. military leaders, combined with the valuable preponderance of sane senior circles within the veteran leadership of Israel, have exhibited actual signs of strategic competence in respect to the present British monarchy's efforts to continue its destruction of continental western Europe, combined with the Royal family's presently explicit commitment to a massive genocide.

In short, the world hovers over the steaming furore

U.S. State Department

Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, speaking at the OSCE in Vilnius Dec. 6, charged that the Duma elections in Russia were "flawed," and called for a "full investigation." Prime Minister Putin responded by charging that Clinton was inciting unrest in Russia. The two are shown here, meeting in Moscow in March.

of thermonuclear genocide, at the brink of a sudden and wide-spreading eruption globally.

The essence of the crisis now menacing the world in its global entirety, is the present role of a President of the United States, who is not only a mass-murderously insane President, but a mere puppet of a British monarchy which has avowed itself determined to effect the sudden and rapid depopulation of the population of this entire planet, from a currently estimated seven billions persons, to no more than one billion. The problems of that set of British imperial circles make minor the Adolf Hitler who was lifted to power by the combined efforts of the British empire and Wall Street's Hitler boosters such as the Anglo-American gang of Wall Street's Harriman.

Some will say that the British were our allies in two World Wars. In the first so-called World War, the war itself, according to Field Marshall von Moltke, had been unleashed, as a new "Seven Years War," by means of the ouster of Germany's Chancellor Bismarck on orders of the British imperial Royal family.

Notably, Winston Churchill begged piteously for President Franklin Roosevelt's help, only when a Hitler, who had been a British puppet helped to power by the circles of France's Pétain, was now about to gobble up the British empire. This was a Britain which had wished to be rescued, temporarily, by a Roosevelt, but a Britain which often acted, during the war, through aid of some among its such rabidly racist tools as Montgomery, aiding Churchill's Britain to delay an Allied victory in Europe in one fashion or another.[1] In the meantime, Britain waited for President Franklin Roosevelt to die, so that a puppet of Wall Street and London, the Wall-Street-owned, asinine Harry S Truman could sell the United States to London. Since the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, we never really regained our United States once President John F. Kennedy and his brother Robert had been assassinated.

However, more than that must be said, urgently, at this time.

On the Subject of Nuclear War

My own introduction to the warfare of the post-John F. Kennedy time, was conditioned to a substantial degree by the outgrowth of my part in the found-

1. From the professional best of Rommel's fleeing forces, it is attested that had brutish "Market Garden" Montgomery ever had the wit or courage to flank Rommel's then fatally vulnerable, retreating forces, Rommel's forces would never have escaped to face the assault by Patton's forces in western North Africa, and the defeat of Hitler would have come much, much earlier in the remaining time to come. Today, we are witness to a similar folly in the post-John F. Kennedy wars of the U.S.A. to date, whereas the brains of MacArthur and Eisenhower had been still at the disposal of a still-living President John F. Kennedy. Since that assassination of President John F. Kennedy and his brother, the United States, wasted again and again in the folly of useless permanent warfare in the style of the notorious British spy "Parvus," has been assigned to leave U.S. forces and the U.S. economy to rot on behalf of the British imperial monarchy.

ing of what became influential as the Fusion Energy Foundation (FEF). My own most significant role in that setting was developed during a period of my sojourns in Germany, during the period following my U.S. Presidencial candidacy of 1976 against the Democratic Party pack during Brzezinski's orchestration of the Jimmy Carter campaign. During the late Summer and my preparations for a new U.S. Presidential candidacy, conceptions respecting thermonuclear fusion had been built up, especially since my 1976 campaign, to the point that my strategic outlook and intentions for the next elected Presidency were already based upon the urgency of an outlook which I adopted during the Summer and Autumn of 1977, of what I identified then as a strategic defense initiative.

The first question which I was obliged to consider was the implication of the role of thermonuclear, rather than merely nuclear weaponry. It was evident, that only a feasible form of total systems of defense against the deployment of either thermonuclear or nuclear weapons, were practicable; furthermore that the response to this fact must be a practicable policy of strategic defense against systems of delivery for thermonuclear assaults as such.

Thus, when my earlier negotiations and related advocacies on behalf of both the United States and certain western and other European partisans, and discussions with leading Indian circles were superseded by, first, the London-connected Yuri Andropov. and the similarly pro-British Mikhail Gorbachov sought to destroy the effort at establishing a mutual defense between the U.S.A. and its associates, on the one side, and the Soviet Union on the other, I presented the warning that the posture of the Andropov regime would tend to ensure the crack-up the Soviet system within five years, as it did.

Unfortunately, the U.S. Congress rejected President Reagan's declared support of what had been precisely my design for strategic defense, and that led to the process of accelerating wreckage left by President George H.W. Bush, and, despite President Clinton's entertaining a defense policy, the net collapse of the U.S. economy over the entirety of the recent more than two decades.

The childish belief that warfare and like enterprises are analogous to sport enterprise among rival teams, which is the game into which Hillary Clinton was ensnared by the pressures radiating from criminal lunatic President Obama, is the only competent assessment of the remarks which, evidently, Mrs. Clinton was induced to utter, apparently without any competent advice from available, relevant intelligence resources.

The essential fact at this moment, is that either the United States has the brains and guts to accept the option represented by Prime Minister Putin, or the entire planet is probably at the verge of a visit to thermonuclear Hell.

The only safe outcome, would require the immediate ouster of a clinically insane British puppet-President of the United States, Barack Obama. Since the Republican candidates are hopelessly incompetent, and since Obama is worse than all of them combined, we now require the notion of a cooperative form of government united under a Democratic replacement for Barack Obama. This new Presidency must be a combination from the ranks of both those Parties which are patriotic first, and not partisan in any of the customary partisan electoral side-shows.

A Strategic Defense of Humanity

Were the United States to eject Obama, and reciprocate Russia's offer for an SDE (Strategic Defense of Earth), we would not only avert the danger of thermonuclear war in the short term, but we would eliminate the reason for humanity to ever go to war again. Peace, is not the negation of conflict; it's an active commitment among all peoples to "the common aims of mankind."

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Putin Defends Russian Election, Sovereignty

Dec. 8—*Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin today held a nearly two-hour meeting with leading activists of the National People's Front (NPF), the broad public organization he organized earlier this year, and whose members account for one-fourth of the people who won election to the State Duma Dec. 4 on the United Russia (UR) slate. In the course of the discussion, Putin responded to comments by his campaign coworkers with his own, pointed remarks to the statements of President Dmitri Medvedev and of the Russian Foreign Ministry, that blanket charges from foreign officials about the Duma elections being riddled with fraud were unfounded, and that outside funding for "street democracy" rose to the level of infringing on Russia's sovereignty.*

Here are excerpts from the discussion, translated by EIR. *Subheads were added.*

Putin: ...I think that the most important, most effective way that a political force that is in power, the most fundamental tool for winning the trust of people, of the citizens, is, of course, the practical work of that force and the results it achieves.... The results of the elections reflect how people perceive what UR has done. And I think that the decline, the reduction by a certain number of seats, is just....

As for the actions of, let's call it street democracy, here's what I think: If people act within the law, they should have the right to express their opinion, and we should not limit anybody in those civil rights. If somebody breaks the law, then government and law enforcement agencies should demand obedience to the law, using all legal means. That's the second point.

Finally, thirdly. We are all adults here, and we all understand that some of the organizers (I don't mean all, but, still, some of the organizers) are acting according to a well-known scenario, with narrow and selfish political goals.... But you and I also know that people in our country do not want a situation to develop in Russia, such as there was in Kyrgyzstan, or in the recent past in Ukraine. Nobody wants chaos. And, relying on the overwhelming majority of our citizens, we should conduct a dialogue with those who are in opposition, and give them the opportunity to speak out, to exercise their constitutional right to demonstrate, and to express and formulate their opinions. But, relying on the overwhelming majority of citizens who do not want any chaos in the country, the law enforcement agencies should organize all this within the existing legal framework and the Constitution of our state. I hope this is how it will be....

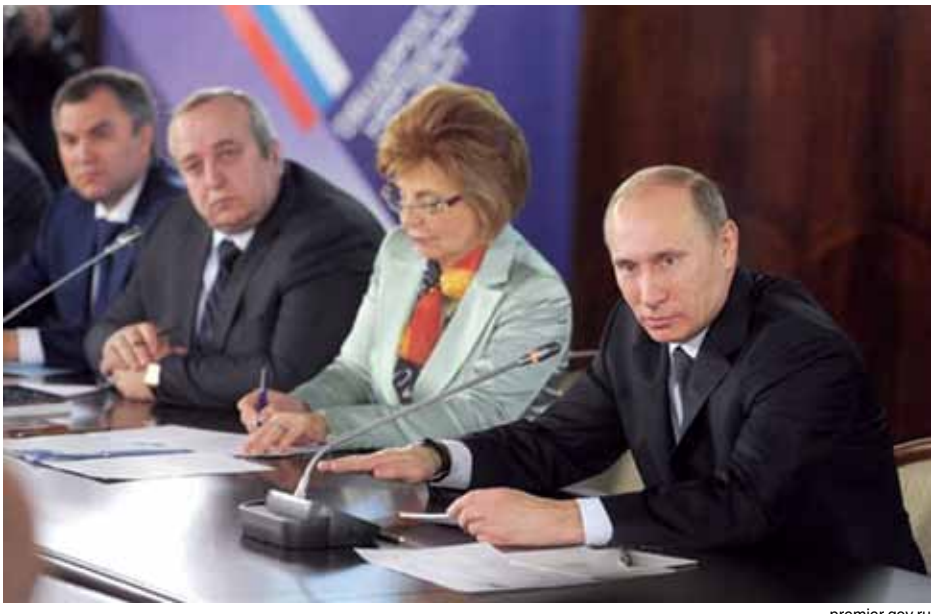
...I watched the first reaction of our American partners. The first thing the Secretary of State did, was that she gave a characterization and an evaluation of the elections, and said that they had been dishonest and unfair, although she had not even received the report from the ODIHR [Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights, of the OSCE].[1] She called the tune for some figures inside our country, she gave the signal. They heard this signal, and began their active work, with this support from the U.S. State Department....

Yekaterina Lakhova (head of the Union of Women of Russia): Vladimir Vladimirovich, I want to say that it looks like Hillary Clinton went overboard, because we have been talking about [foreign] grant donors for a long time.... And today, of course, they support both public organizations, and party organizations, and provocateurs.... The people who are doing the destabilization, well, that's clear.... Pink, orange, what kind of revolution do they want to make for us?...

We Are a Major Nuclear Power

Putin: Concerning financing from abroad for various areas of activity, I would not dump everything here into the same pile. There are quite fine and useful areas of activity and work, including with support from our colleagues and friends abroad. We don't need to persecute anybody here, saying that they're all enemies or that there's some kind of plot against us. It is absolutely clear that work is being done, including this kind... After all, there is a political struggle going on inside the country, and there is a political struggle going on in the international area, and some of our colleagues... [The ellipses in this paragraph are Putin's pauses.]

1. See www.osce.org/odihr/elections/85753



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Prime Minister Vladimir Putin (foreground) chairs the meeting of the Russian Popular Front's Coordinating Council on Dec. 8.

Recently I was talking with the press, with the media, that—what are you going to say: We are a major nuclear power, and we remain one. And that causes certain concerns on the part of our partners. And we get "rocked," so that we won't forget who's the master here on our planet, and so that we obey, and realize that they have levers of influence on us within our country. So if we're talking about humanitarian issues, related to health or something like that, that's fine. But when money from abroad is put into political activity inside our country, that should give us pause. It is especially unacceptable to pour money into the electoral process. This is simply impermissible.

Dr. Leonid Roshal (deputy head of the Directorate B or "Vympel" special forces unit of the Federal Security Service): "I read a specific figure—[$]9 million. The State Department official figures.

We Need To Defend Our Sovereignty

Putin: Excuse me, may I finish? Actually, more. Hundreds of millions of dollars are put into this work. And so we should, here in the People's Front, and with the Deputies, talk about it and discuss: We need to develop ways of defending our sovereignty, defending against outside interference. We have, say, an internal law, which regulates.... And we are not against having foreign observers observe our political process and our electoral process; we are for this, not against it.

By the way, in the [United] States itself, they don't let observers in anywhere. They drive them out of the polling places. In the very recent period they have begun to let a few in, but they used to just say, "Go away!," and they didn't let anybody in. Things are very tough there, in reality. A lot less liberal than here. We are for it, but we have our laws.

And when they start financing some domestic organizations, which are supposedly our national organizations, but are essentially working on foreign money, and dancing to the tune of a foreign country within the electoral process, then that is impermissible. And we need to look at what our laws are, and how they are working, and how much here Leonid Mikhailovich [Roshal] is absolutely right—money is being pumped in. We need to protect ourselves against this interference in our internal affairs and defend our sovereignty. All of Russian society is interested in that.

But, I repeat, that does not mean that we should ban everything. Many people truly have good will and want to work with us, and want to help and provide methodological support and assistance, as well as material, although they themselves have many problems; they themselves need support, and without any exaggeration the issue has now come up of Russia's providing support and help. Ten years ago nobody would have dreamed this in their worst nightmare. It was hard even to imagine posing the question of somebody coming to Russia for help and support. And we indeed are in a condition today, where we can do it. The question is how, and by what channels? But there's nothing to rejoice about in this. They're having trouble now, as we did yesterday. And, by the way, there are many people there who had and still have good will toward us. But we are obliged to defend our sovereignty. We'll have to think about improving our laws, and making people more liable if they are performing tasks for a foreign country, to influence the domestic political process.

London's Gorbachov Is the Key Figure In the Destabilization of Russia

by Rachel Douglas

Dec. 13—Anyone who thought that British Imperial stratagems couldn't get any crazier than trying to detonate global thermonuclear war through a conflict in the Middle East, needs to look at who is doing what to whom in Russia. The activity of ex-Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachov, a cat's paw of London when he was in power in the 1980s, and the same today, is a dead giveaway of Britain's escalating drive to destroy Russia.

City of London mouthpiece *The Economist* magazine spelled out the intention in two articles and an editorial in its Dec. 10 issue, writing that unrest after the Dec. 4 State Duma elections "may not be the beginning of a revolution, but it is the end of Vladimir Putin's era of alleged stability." It claimed that Prime Minister and Presidential candidate Putin has only two choices: "He could allow some political competition, which risks unravelling the system, or he could try to suppress discontent and risk being ostracised in the West and hated at home." The editorial said that Putin must "clean up the Kremlin and modernize the economy" by "opening up" to foreign finance, because "Mr Putin has failed to build the rules-based system that provides the economic security foreign investors need." *The Economist* then raised the specter of renewed destabilization of Russia's North Caucasus, a historical specialty of British Intelligence.

The Dec. 4 returns gave the United Russia (UR) slate, headed by President Dmitri Medvedev, just under 50% of the popular vote—a loss of 22% of its Duma seats, although UR retains a simple majority—while the Communist Party of the Russian Federation got 19%, doubling its representation. Within hours of the vote, organizations backed by the Project Democracy networks of George Soros, Gorbachov, and other London-linked enthusiasts of "regime change," began street demonstrations against alleged UR vote fraud, also taking aim at Putin's prospective return to the Presidency in the March 2012 elections.

The week of Dec. 5-10 saw hundreds arrested at unauthorized street actions in Moscow, until tensions were dispelled—for the moment—when a large rally on Saturday, Dec. 10 received a permit and passed without incident. Besides veterans of Russia's disastrous radical-liberal governments of the 1990s, those in the streets included a new, Internet generation typified by online celebrity Alexei Navalny, an anti-corruption campaigner. Navalny has been cultivated in the West, including as a 2010 participant in the Yale World Fellows Program, where the training is done by UN deputy secretary-general Mark Malloch Brown (of the British Foreign Office) and other friends of Soros. The liberal and Gorbachov-linked media were ecstatic over Navalny's arrest, broadcasting stories on "Putin's fatal mistake" and "Putin's last election."

Gorbachov on the Air

All the while, the 80-year-old Gorbachov was on the airwaves. Interviewed Dec. 6 on radio Echo of Moscow, he called for "changes in the Russian political system." He told Interfax on Dec. 7, "Each day more and more Russians don't believe that the announced election results are honest. In my view, ignoring public opinion discredits the authorities and destabilizes the situation." He called on Medvedev and Putin to admit vote fraud, annul the Dec. 4 results, and schedule new elections. After the peaceful demonstrations in Moscow and other cities, Gorbachov used further interviews, on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the formal break-up of the Soviet Union, to escalate, denouncing Putin and Medvedev for "not allowing the Russian population to make a free choice."

According to Washington sources, Gorbachov also had phone contact with President Barack Obama, U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Susan Rice, and National Democracy Institute (NDI) chair Madeleine Al-

Gorbachov's 80th birthday bash in London.

bright during the run-up to the Duma elections, setting the stage for Obama to order Secretary of State Hillary Clinton to condemn them. In reality, as an experienced observer of Russian affairs, Prof. Stephen Cohen of New York University, noted Dec. 8 on National Public Radio, the Duma vote was likely the "least rigged elections in nearly a decade."

Yet money had poured into Russia in advance, to mobilize an extraparliamentary opposition. The funds came via National Endowment for Democracy channels such as Albright's NDI, as well as the U.S. Agency for International Development, whose program director Sean Carroll previously worked at the Club of Madrid, an organization of ex-heads of state in which Gorbachov is a leading figure.

This was the outside funding of which Putin complained during his Dec. 8 Presidential campaign meeting with activists of the National People's Front, when he also criticized Clinton's statements. "Hundreds of millions of dollars are put into this," charged Putin, "We need to develop ways of defending our sovereignty against outside interference."

Gorbachov's Agenda: Made in London

Gorbachov was what Lyndon LaRouche famously called "the first general secretary of the Communist Party to be publicly vetted by the Queen of England" (with a visit to London in 1984, just months before assuming the top job). Following Yuri Andropov, the 1982-83 Soviet leader who had come out of the most British Intelligence-infected section of the Soviet establishment, and who reacted in rage against U.S. President Reagan's adoption of LaRouche's SDI policy in 1983, Gorbachov acted in British interests throughout his own battle against the SDI, and LaRouche personally. He also opened the floodgates to the British takeover of Russian economic policy, first through Gorbachov's perestroika policy and the widespread adoption of Cambridge University systems analysis, and then—after the end of the U.S.S.R.—in the seizure of the new Russian government by London-trained "young reformers."

Upon the collapse of the Soviet Union, Gorbachov seamlessly melded into the upper echelons of the Trans-Atlantic establishment, quickly becoming a champion of its globalization agenda. This process had begun earlier, notably with an infamous speech by Gorbachov at the United Nations in 1988, in which he called for a "new world order." His agenda for a post-Cold War world, dealing with "economic, food, energy, environmental, information and population problems" as global rather than national ones, was a parody of the New, Just World Economic Order idea, promoted by LaRouche's friends in the Non-Aligned Movement beginning in the mid-1970s. Gorbachov's approach to the "environment" and "population" points coincided instead with the modern British Empire's strategies for population reduction and Green Fascism.

In 1990, an *EIR* investigator learned that Prince Philip's World Wildlife Fund viewed Gorbachov as potentially "a major New Age leader." Already then, still as Soviet President, Gorbachov was hobnobbing especially with George Shultz, one of the most important British faction figures of the late-20th Century in the United States: the engineer of the 1971 final demolition of the Bretton Woods system and institution of floating exchange rates, and an inside man against the SDI in the Reagan Administration. Shultz became a board member of the Gorbachov Foundation, which opened

near San Francisco in December 1991, the month of the Soviet Union's demise, and was a founding co-chairman of Gorbachov's State of the World Forum in 1995.

In 1993, Gorbachov founded his environmentalist Green Cross International. In a 1992 speech in Fulton, Mo. (in which he praised Sir Winston Churchill, who had launched the Cold War there in 1946, as a man of global vision), he described "ecological threats" to planetary stability in precisely British imperial terms. No wonder Gorbachov has subsequently collaborated in the Nobel Laureate Symposium on Global Sustainability, initiated by the Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research head John Schellnhuber, the radical population-reduction crusader whom Queen Elizabeth named a Commander of the British Empire!

Gorbachov in Russian Politics

Gorbachov reentered Russian politics in 2007, when Putin's leadership had stabilized Russia, after its having been looted under the neoliberals and their British masters in the 1990s. His 2000 attempt to found a Russian United Social Democratic Party had flopped. Now he unveiled a Union of Social Democrats, as an NGO. In late 2008, when the global financial crisis hit Russia full-force, Gorbachov formed the Rygoletto group, one of whose leaders was his co-owner of the *Novaya Gazeta* newspaper venture, London-tied businessman Alexander Lebedev, a pal of Nat Rothschild.

Rygoletto issued a plan for a non-partisan Public Anti-Crisis Initiative. As elaborated by Gorbachov personally in March 2009, the proposal included handing over major, privatized Russian companies, which were indebted to City of London lenders with their own shares as collateral, to those creditors! This, according to Gorbachov, would secure the financing needed by the Russian economy: exactly what *The Economist* demands today.

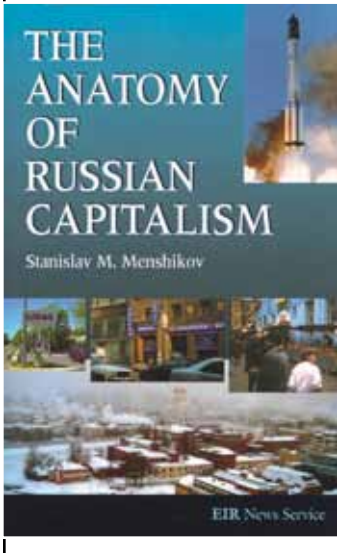
In September 2010, Gorbachov founded yet another "nonpartisan democratic entity," Civil Dialogue, with Lebedev and neoliberal "young reformer" ex-Deputy Prime Minister Boris Nemtsov. Several of its leaders have been prominent in the December 2011 protests.

In December 2010, Gorbachov attacked Putin in a two-page article in *Novaya Gazeta* as the creator of an "undemocratic political landscape," threatening Russia's stability. Then, in February of this year, he raised the prospect of an Egypt-style uprising in Russia. Attacking UR as a "bad copy" of the former Soviet Communist Party, Gorbachov warned: "If things continue the way they are, I think the probability of the Egyptian scenario will grow. But it could end far worse."

Prof. Igor Panarin of the Diplomatic Academy of the Russian Foreign Ministry has put the Gorbachov issue on the table in the right kind of terms. In June 2010, he publicly charged that Gorbachov, as well as Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchov in the 1950s, were steered to power by British Intelligence. Panarin said that Gorbachov should be condemned, "but it should be done by a public tribunal, in order to understand how this person could conduct such an anti-state policy, harming his native country, in which he had been born and grew up."

In that same period, the section of LaRouche's March 2010 "Ides of March" webcast dealing with the British agentry of Andropov and Gorbachov, became a hot item online in Russia, and was viewed by tens of thousands of people.

This article draws on EIR*'s 30-year dossier on Mikhail Gorbachov, particularly investigative reporting by Stanley Ezrol and the late Mark Burdman.*



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Military Sources: We Are On the Edge of Nuclear War

by Jeffrey Steinberg

Dec. 12—Qualified U.S. military and intelligence sources have provided a series of devastating updates on the looming danger of a larger war in the Middle East, triggered by an Israeli strike against Iran. The picture, taken as a whole, underscores that the planet is now on the very edge of a general war that would all but certainly lead to the use of thermonuclear weapons, and the extinction of much, if not all, of humanity.

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An Israeli strike against Iran would trigger a larger war in the Middle East, and potentially, a global thermonuclear war, according to qualified U.S. military and intelligence sources. Shown: The Israeli Defense Force in action.

1. Active Measures

Both Iran and Israel are taking active measures to prepare for a war. Israel is now moving around some of its tactical nuclear weapons on trucks, to avert a feared Iranian strike in retaliation for an Israeli attack on Iranian nuclear facilities. The Israelis have an inflated estimate of the number of Iranian missiles that are capable of reaching targets in Israel, and there is a lack of solid intelligence on improvements in the guidance systems on Iran's new solid-fuel missiles. Despite this, Israel is operating on an assumption that Iran has as many as 4,000 solid-fuel missiles capable of striking targets in Israel. Any Iranian retaliatory missile strike on Israel, according to a senior U.S. military intelligence source, would trigger an Israeli nuclear retaliation against Iran.

Iran is also moving those missiles out of their fixed locations, out of fear of Israeli attacks using the new bunker-buster bombs provided by the United States. Tehran has created a backup command/control system, using land lines, and has set up backup command posts outside of the known facilities. All of this indi-

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Should Israel attack Iran's nuclear sites, provoking a retaliation by Iran against a member of the Gulf Cooperation Council, the U.S. would be obliged by treaty to step in. Shown: Iran's Esfahan nuclear site, in a satellite photo from 2004.

cates that there is a serious expectation of a conflict in the near term.

2. Israeli Hair-Trigger

For now, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Defense Minister Ehud Barak do not appear to have a majority of support for war from within the inner Cabinet. However, there is a serious worry at the Pentagon that Netanyahu may order a strike even without such approval. Since there is no known precedent for such an action by an Israeli prime minister, there is no basis for anticipating the response from the Israeli Defense Forces (IDF) command. What happens at that point is a big question mark.

Right now, as the result of the splits in the opposition Kadima party, and Barak's successful destruction of the Labor Party, there is no possible political combination that could likely remove Netanyahu from power. He is, in fact, calling for a Likud convention soon, to reelect him as party head, so that he can call snap elections at any point he chooses after that. So, the opposition to Netanyahu is largely restricted to the Mossad, IDF, Shin Bet, and Military Intelligence veterans, who know that Iran is still far off from having a nuclear bomb. There is much opposition, but there is no guarantee that this is sufficient.

Netanyahu is the heir to the Revisionist Zionist Movement of notorious British agent and self-professed fascist Vladimir Jabotinsky. Jabotinsky led a Jewish Brigade of the British Army during World War I, and was a collaborator of the infamous Alexander Helphand Parvus who, under the control of British Intelligence's Frederick Engels, devised the doctrine of permanent revolution/permanent war otherwise attributed to the Bolshevik Leon Trotsky. The simple fact that an Israeli attack on Iran would all but assure the destruction of the Israeli state is of no consequence to Netanyahu.

This is why the remnants of the original secular Zionist movement, largely centered in the old military and intelligence establishment, have been waging an unprecedented public campaign of war avoidance, targeted against the Netanyahu-Barak madness.

3. U.S. Lowers the Threshold

Under National Security Council pressure, led by Tom Donilon, the Obama Administration has recently changed the criterion for action against Iran. No longer is the U.S. "red line" set at the point that Iran has all of the elements to assemble a nuclear bomb and delivery system. The new "red line" is when Iran has all of the technological capacity for a weapon. This clearly lowers the threshold for U.S. military action against Iran, but it is still far off in the future.

This shift is significant, according to one senior U.S. intelligence source, who equated it with the difference between a loaded and an unloaded gun. "The Joint Chiefs, Panetta, and Hillary are, fortunately, not trigger happy," he said.

Nevertheless, the U.S. position, in the past few weeks, has moved closer to the Israeli position. All relevant U.S. intelligence agencies have concluded, for the time being, that the factional situation at the top of the Iranian power structure is so intense, going into the early 2012 Majlis (legislative council) elections, that no faction will be able or willing to negotiate a deal with the UN Security Council Permanant Five-plus-one that would be truly binding. For now, the U.S. "best option" is continued sanctions and sabotage—not overt military strikes. But an Israeli attack could, in the judgment of one senior intelligence official, come at any moment.

As long as the U.S. is pursuing a program of covert warfare—along with Israel, Great Britain, and others—

the danger is that the Iranian leadership will come under intense popular pressure to retaliate. Already, senior U.S. intelligence sources are confirming that the populations of Tehran and other cities are becoming restive over the pattern of bombings, kidnappings, and assassinations that are becoming an ever-more frequent occurrence. At what point are the political leaders in Iran compelled to launch asymmetric retaliations? And how will the U.S. and its allies respond? Is this a trajectory to general war?

These questions are disturbing, to say the least. In the past three weeks, Shi'a riots have erupted in three cities in the Eastern Province of Saudi Arabia, and in Kuwait. This already poses the question of whether the Al Quds Brigade of the Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps has begun to retaliate against the low-intensity attacks being carried out on Iranian soil.

4. Can the Military Contain Obama?

Recently Generals Martin Dempsey and James Mattis, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the commander of the Central Command, respectively, delivered a strong message to President Obama personally, according to Pentagon sources: Netanyahu, they demanded, must be told, in no uncertain terms, that this is not the time for a preemptive attack on Iran. The consequences of such an action would be catastrophic. The generals indicated that the United States would require between 45 and 90 days to establish force protection of all of the U.S. military assets in the region.

The President rejected the demands from the generals. He refused to pressure Netanyahu, arguing that he has no right to interfere in Israeli decision-making, and adding that he would prefer it if the Israelis attacked without the U.S. knowing in advance. This was greatly alarming to the generals, needless to say.

In effect, the remaining U.S. military forces (and 17,000 contractors) in Iraq, the 100,000-plus U.S. and NATO forces in Afghanistan, and the U.S. military assets throughout the Persian Gulf, are all immediately vulnerable, in the event of an Israeli strike against nuclear sites in Iran. While there is intense debate inside the U.S. national security establishment over what U.S. policy should be, in the event of an Israeli preventive strike on Iran, one thing is clear: If Iran retaliates against any member of the Gulf Cooperation Council, the United States will be obliged, under a series of bilateral defense treaties, to step in. According to a senior active-duty military source, the worst nightmare for the Pentagon, is being drawn into a big war without choice, and without adequate time to secure forward-based American military personnel and resources.

The reason that an Israeli strike on Iran, triggering a much larger war, has not already taken place, is that top circles in the U.S. military and intelligence community have taken extraordinary steps to prevent it. War avoidance is now the top priority of the Pentagon and the CIA, a senior U.S. intelligence official recently told *EIR*. The problem, the source acknowledged, is that President Obama is the Commander-in-Chief, and there is no confidence that he will listen to the sage advice of his generals and intelligence chiefs. The war avoidance effort is, thus, fragile at best.

As Lyndon LaRouche has repeatedly warned, the only durable war avoidance option is the removal of President Barack Obama from office, via impeachment, or the invoking of Section 4 of the 25th Amendment. Until and unless both Obama and Netanyahu are removed from office, the specter of a thermonuclear World War III will stalk the planet.

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Pakistan-Afghanistan Incidents Pose Threat of All-Out War

by Ramtanu Maitra

Dec. 11—Two major incidents in Pakistan and Afghanistan during the last two weeks have withered all hopes that the growing instability in Pakistan and Afghanistan can be contained. While the attack on two Pakistani military posts by the NATO helicopters close to the Afghanistan-Pakistan border killed at least 24 Pakistani soldiers, the killings of 60 Shi'a mourners on the holy day of Ashura Dec. 5 in two Afghan mosques has raised the specter of a full-fledged and bloody sectarian and ethnic civil war in Afghanistan.

There is no question but that the British-Saudi nexus, aided by a warmongering Obama Administration in the United States, through these two incidents have furthered efforts to spread the flames of violence in these two Muslim nations. What is most disturbing, is the fact that Pakistan, a nation of 170 million, is fast becoming ungovernable, as its military, considered the only institution that could hold the country together, has weakened significantly, and is under serious attack from both Washington and Brussels (NATO).

The broader context of this attack, however, is not to be found within these countries, but in the crazed British-Obama drive for confrontation with Asia, the neighborhood in which Pakistan and Afghanistan live. Blowing up nations on the border of China, is part and parcel of the provocations leading toward World War III.

The All-Out War Danger

The Afghanistan-Pakistan situation can no longer be identified as separate from what has happened in the recent days throughout Arabia and the Maghreb nations in northern Africa. These are all Muslim nations, and virtually all of them have been rendered unstable by a Saudi-Britain-France-United States-led policy of regime change through violent acts. The devastation within Iraq caused by the U.S. invasion in 2003, backed by Britain and Saudi Arabia, has enraged a large section of the Muslim community, the vast majority of whom are Shi'as.

The subsequent killing of Muammar Qaddafi in Libya, and the spread of violent uprisings in Syria, backed again by the same forces, has deepened the chasm between the Sunnis and Shi'as. Now, Iran is in the crosshairs of the U.S.-Britain-Saudi-Israel axis, and there are indications that a covert war to dislodge the Iranian regime is in progress.

Under the circumstances, it would have been a Herculean task for the leaders of Pakistan and Afghanistan to restrain the reactionary forces within their countries from striking back at those who were aiding and abetting destabilization in the Muslim countries. What has happened in Pakistan and Afghanistan during the last two weeks, was a further deterioration of an already unstable situation; and there are reasons to believe that the U.S.-Britain-Saudi-Israel axis is moving to spread the conflict throughout the vast area stretching from northern Africa to the borders of Russia, China, and India.

A day after the attack, Pakistan's Foreign Minister Hina Rabbani Khar spoke to Russian and Chinese counterparts, Sergei Lavrov and Yang Jiechi, to brief them on the "unprovoked" NATO/ISAF (International Security Assistance Force) attack on Pakistani territory. Khar underscored that in addition to being a gross violation of established international norms, such attacks pose a threat to regional peace and stability as well.

The Nov. 28 Lahore *Daily Mail* quoted the Russian foreign minister asserting that a nation's sovereignty should always be upheld, even when hunting "terrorists." "Leaders of NATO in Afghanistan should carry out a meticulous investigation into this incident," Lavrov told Khar.

A statement issued by the Pakistani Foreign Minis-

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On Nov. 26, two Pakistani military outposts were attacked by NATO helicopters, killing 24 soliders. Islamabad has declared it a wanton act. Shown: A NATO/ISAF helicopter strike in Pakistan, November 2011.

try said, "The Russian foreign minister emphasized the unacceptability of violating the sovereignty of states, including during the planning and carrying out of counter-terrorist operations."

Chinese Foreign Minister Yang expressed deep shock and concern over the incident, and extended condolences to the aggrieved families. He said that Pakistan's independence, sovereignty, and territorial integrity must be respected, and called for a thorough and serious investigation into the matter.

The Incident, According to Pakistani Authorities

In the early morning hours of Nov. 26, two Pakistani military outposts, Vulcan and Boulder, in Mohmand Agency in Pakistan's Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) came under attack from two or three NATO helicopters, resulting in the death of 24 Pakistani soldiers, including two officers, while 15 others sustained injuries. Following the incident, Washington and Brussels claimed that the NATO helicopters encountered some fire, and that there was a breakdown of communication which led to the tragedy. However, no helicopter was downed, nor any NATO casualty reported.

Since the incident, Islamabad has maintained that the attack was a wanton act. Pakistan's Director General of Military Operations (DGMO) Maj. Gen. Ashfaq Nadeem, briefing Pakistan's Senate Standing Committee on Defense Dec. 8, said the Nov. 26 attack on those outposts was a deliberate act and part of a "plot," *Dawn News* reported. Briefing the group which met in Islamabad under the chairmanship of Javed Ashraf Qazi, Nadeem said the attack was conducted by U.S. Special Forces, as NATO has no control over them in Afghanistan.

He said NATO officials deceived the Pakistani officer on duty at the coordination center by giving him wrong information about the location of the operation. The DGMO further said the attack was pre-planned, and was aimed to strengthen the Taliban, because the two military checkpoints attacked were built to curb militants' infiltration, and had been serving the purpose effectively. He also warned of more attacks, comments likely to fuel tension with the United States.

It is evident that neither Washington or Brussels agree with Nadeem's statement, but that is irrelevant at this point in time. The mood of the Pakistani citizens, except for perhaps a handful, has become virulently anti-U.S. and anti-West.

Following the incident, Pakistan took several retaliatory measures: The supply line through Pakistan that brings more than half of all lethal and non-lethal supplies to the 150,000-plus foreign troops fighting the insurgents in Afghanistan, was cut off, and has remained closed at the time of writing. ISAF chief Gen. John Allen has claimed that the stoppage of supplies is not hurting the troops, and Islamabad has shown no intention to reopen the supply routes, posing worries in Washington.

Pakistan's Retaliatory Measures

Following the attack on the military outposts, Pakistan gave a 15-day deadline for the United States to vacate the Shamsi air base, also known as the Bhandari Airstrip, a Pakistan Air Force-controlled airfield, located about 200 miles southwest of Quetta, and about 248 miles northwest of Gwadar in the Balochistan province of Pakistan.

Reports indicate that U.S. forces have already moved out of the base, removing a drone in the last

phase, and have informed Pakistani Air Traffic Control and Defense Ministry of their withdrawal. The United Arab Emirates government would take over the control of the airbase, news reports said.

In addition, the Pakistani Army is reportedly bolstering air defenses along its Afghan border, including deploying shoulder-to-air missiles, officials said this week—a move that could potentially threaten NATO jets in the border region. "Primarily, it will be early warning systems, but there will be certain weapons deployed in certain areas," Pakistani military spokesman Brig. Gen. Azmat Ali said on Dec. 9, stressing that the move was defensive rather than offensive in nature.

"It became very embarrassing for our troops. They were killed like sitting ducks," he said, adding that the decision had been taken in response to pressure from the troops themselves. "If there is another attack, they should have something to defend themselves."

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The Pakistani Army is reportedly bolstering air defenses along its Afghan border, including deploying shoulder-to-air missiles, to defend against NATO strikes. Here, non-combatant civilians killed by a U.S./NATO strike, Nov. 5, 2009.

Moreover, Pakistan boycotted the Dec. 5-6 conference at Bonn, Germany, called Bonn II, attended by over 1,000 delegates from some 110 nations and international organizations. The objective of the conference was to ensure international support for Afghanistan in the coming years to establish stability and an economic beginning. Not even the belated offer of condolences over the killing of Pakistani soldiers from U.S. President Barack Obama to Pakistani President Asif Ali Zardari over that weekend sufficed to change Islamabad's mind. As a result, two empty chairs represented Pakistan and the Taliban, perhaps the two most important elements in the so-called Afghan resolution, and those empty chairs announced loudly the non-event that Bonn II turned out to be.

Beyond the measures and counter-measures that followed the Nov. 26 incident, what the incident has further ensured is the weakening of Pakistan's military. It is evident that the incident has made President Zardari a lame duck, and weakened the country's feeble democratic institutions even further. But, its democratic institutions never played any role in stabilizing the nation whenever the country faced danger. It was always the Pakistani military which had moved in under crises to stop the rot, at least temporarily.

On earlier occasions, Washington had backed those military takeovers despite the fact that those they had undermined democratic institutions—a bugaboo of the democracy-preaching Washington.

The present situation, however, is entirely different. It is the United States, working with NATO, that has deliberately weakened the Pakistani military and, through various actions, has made the country's top military leaders look inept and inadequate. The mood inside Pakistan is dangerous, and many anti-West demonstrations are taking place, providing succor to the militants and the anti-West jihadis, controlled internationally, primarily from Britain and Saudi Arabia.

Cry 'Havoc,' and Let Slip the Dogs of War

On Dec. 5, the holiest day of the year for the Shi'as—the festival of Ashura in the sacred first month of Muharram in the Islamic calendar—a suicide bomber, who detonated explosives at the gate of the Abu-Ul Fazil shrine in the capital Kabul, killed at least 56 people; many of them were children.

In a separate attack, a bicycle bomb near a mosque in the northern city of Mazar-e-Sharif killed four wor-

shippers, a district police chief said. The Taliban condemned the bomb attacks in Kabul and Mazar-e-Sharif as the brutal work of "enemies," a spokesperson for the armed group said. "Very sadly we heard that there were explosions in Kabul and Mazar-e-Sharif, where people were killed by the enemy's un-Islamic and inhuman activity," Zabihullah Mujahid, a Taliban spokesman said, in a statement published on their website.

If the Taliban did not do it, who did this killing? Within the next 48 hours, a spin-off group of the Lashkar-e-Jhangvi (LeJ), a Pakistani-based Sunni terrorist group, with close links to al-Qaeda, a Sunni-Deobandi terrorist outfit, almost indistinguishable from the Wahhabi version of Sunni Islam, claimed responsibility for the attack in Kabul.

LeJ has been responsible for a series of sectarian attacks over the years in Pakistan that have taken lives of hundreds of Shi'ite Muslims. But the Pakistani government never took any serious action against it. Perhaps this monster, in its various forms, has become stronger than what the weakened Pakistan's law-and-order forces can handle.

LeJ was formed in 1996 by a breakaway group of radical sectarian extremists of the Sipah-e-Sahaba Pakistan (SSP), a Sunni extremist group, which accused the parent organization of deviating from the ideals of its slain co-founder, Maulana Haq Nawaz Jhangvi. It is from Maulana Jhangvi that the LeJ derives its name. It was formed under the leadership of Akram Lahori and Riaz Basra. The LeJ is one of the two sectarian terrorist outfits proscribed on Aug. 14, 2001, by President Pervez Musharraf. LeJ, like the SSP, LeT, and scores of Sunni militant groups that thrive in Pakistan, are funded by Saudi Arabia, and controlled by their old master, British intelligence.

Following the Shi'a killings, Afghan President Hamid Karzai, who was in Europe at the time, hurried back to Kabul and pointed the finger at Pakistan. "Without any doubt, the enemies of Afghanistan are trying to separate the Afghan people," Karzai said in a statement. He told the news media: "We will pursue this issue with Pakistan and its government very seriously.... Lashkar-i-Jhangvi is based in Pakistan, therefore the government of Afghanistan, with all its strength and international support, will pursue this issue. Afghanistan cannot ignore the blood of its children."

Four days later, on Dec. 9, another suicide bomber killed a district police chief from the restive eastern Kunar province, and at least five other people, in an attack at the gate of a mosque after Friday prayers, the provincial police commander reported. "The Ghaziabad police chief, a member of the national directorate of security, two policemen, and two civilians were killed. Nine have been wounded," said Kunar provincial police chief Hewaz Mohammad Nazari. In a text message, the Taliban claimed responsibility for the attack, and claimed they killed the Ghaziabad police chief and six of his bodyguards. It was a claim that surprised many, since the Wahhabi version of Islam is at the core of the Taliban's ideology, and they have in the past denied any role in attacks on religious sites in Afghanistan.

What that implies is that the sectarian killings, instigated and launched in Yemen, Bahrain, Iraq, Pakistan, and Syria, by the British-Saudi forces in recent months, will now have a new theater—Afghanistan. It appears that the enemies of the Kabul government may be seeking to fracture the country along the sectarian fault line that exists between the Sunnis and Shi'as. A civilian advisor to former Afghanistan commander Gen. Stanley McChrystal, Andrew Exum, told the Associated Press:

"One big worry over the past year has been that factions within Afghanistan have—independent of anything NATO has been doing—begun to prepare for another civil war in the aftermath of a NATO withdrawal," said Exum, a senior fellow at the Center for a New American Security, a think tank in Washington. "I see the attack simply hastening that process."

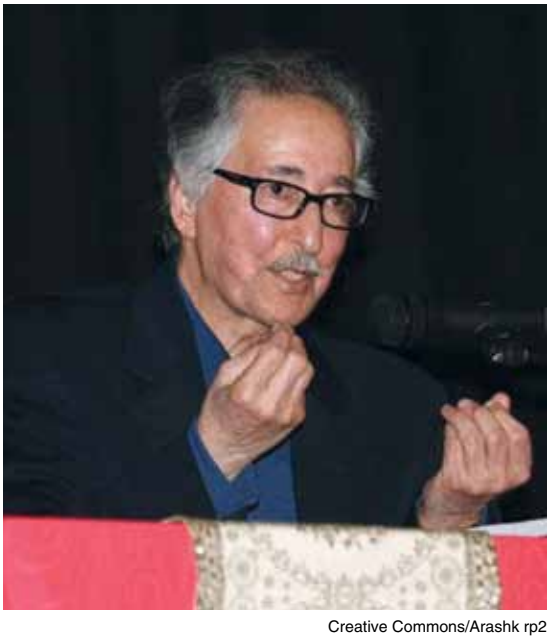
Analysts believe the regional players of old still have a stake in Afghanistan's instability. Unity between Shi'as and Sunnis, and unity among ethnic groups and political factions, leaves no room for Iran or the British-Saudi forces to wield influence. And they are not the only ones who are getting ready. The future of Afghanistan is probably evolving up north now, as the Indians, Russians and Iranians are engaged with the Northern Alliance, which will wage a bloody battle if any effort is made in the future to seat any Sunni-religious group, the kind the Taliban were, in Kabul.

The Northern Alliance, with whom the U.S. allied in 2001, is secretly arming once again, according to former anti-Taliban fighters interviewed in northern Afghanistan's Panjshir Valley. Their information was confirmed privately by a top U.S. official, and reported in the media.

Former Iranian President Says 'No' to a War Against Iran

Abolhassan Bani Sadr was the first President of the Islamic Republic of Iran (February 1980 to June 1981). An opponent of the regime since he was impeached and ousted by Ayatollah Khomeini, he was forced into into exile in France, as some his closest collaborators went to prison, or were murdered by the regime.

However, Bani Sadr is totally opposed to war and to economic sanctions targeting the Iranian population, because, as he explains in 25 proposals published since the beginning of the present tensions, these would only reinforce the dictatorship.



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From his exile, Bani Sadr continues to express his views on the Iranian situation through a regular publication in the Farsi language. In his responses to this interview, he also has a particularly sharp view of the world's affairs.

In publishing this interview our aim is neither to support any faction in the Iranian nation, nor to meddle in any way in its internal affairs. We give the opportunity to speak out to all those who are determined to stop an armed conflict in the region, which would not only be disastrous for Iran, but could ignite a new world war.

The interview was conducted on Dec. 6 by Christine Bierre, editor-in-chief of ***Nouvelle Solidarité****, the newspaper of the LaRouche movement in France. It was translated from French and made available to* ***EIR****.*

NS: Mr. Bani Sadr, your country is once again threatened by war. There is talk of airstrikes against its nuclear installations. You published recently a text rejecting those measures, denouncing the fact that they will only lead to a reinforcement of the regime, a text where you formulate your own proposals to change things in Iran.

Bani Sadr: The proposals I make are based on two principles: rejection of a military intervention, and rejection of an economic boycott which would hurt the Iranian people. One can talk about two economies in Iran: a rentier economy which concerns the top-level officials of the regime who enrich themselves, and an economy of the Iranian people who are more and more impoverished. We should not, by imposing economic sanctions from outside, impoverish people even more, because the consequence would be to deter them from rising up [against the government]. I have thus made 25 proposals on this question which touch upon the military, political, economic, and human rights domains.

The West says there is a problem with the Iranian atomic program, claiming it has a military dimension. But, you know, Wikileaks published secret reports, some of which concern the Japanese official who is leading the IAEA [International Atomic Energy Agency], Yukika Amano. According to those reports, it was the Americans who supported his nomination to become director of the IAEA, and he committed himself to go along with the U.S. strategy.

According to those same reports, Amano has good contacts with the Israelis. In a region where the Israelis have atomic weapons, and where the Pakistanis have them too, to threaten Iran with a war using the pretext

that the country has the intention of having an atomic weapon, is too much. In Iran, among the people, nobody believes that; no people can believe in the sincerity of the West when it pretends that Iran has become a danger for the whole world.

I'm not favorable at all to Iran having the atomic weapon. I wish that all countries that have it would get rid of it as fast as possible, because this weapon is very dangerous. And when some claim that with those weapons one becomes "untouchable," I reply simply that the Pakistanis have the nuclear weapon and that that didn't deter the Americans from treating them with the most unbelievable arrogance. What's are atomic weapons good for then?

Everybody in the West knows that even if Iran had the bomb, it couldn't use it. Because to be able to use it, you have to have the means not only to launch a first strike, but to protect the country against a counterstrike by the enemy, and then be able to launch another strike. At best, at this point, Iran only has the possibility of responding to a strike, contrary to Israel, which has the full gamut of possibilities. To speak about the atomic bomb [in Iran] is only a pretext.

What Western officials refuse to say is that the key question for them is to control the region. [Former President George W.] Bush had his own project for what he called "democracy" in the Greater Middle East, even though he himself had been elected by electoral fraud, and didn't respect the law of the United States. He was part of the anti-democratic elements of the United States. The aim of Bush's Greater Middle East was to establish United States control in the area going from Northern Africa to Pakistan.

The 'Arc of Crisis,' Continued

NS: That reminds me of the policies of the "arc of crisis," promoted by Zbigniew Brzezinski in his time, and of the Bernard Lewis plan,[1] which the United States, under British control, has been trying to implement in this region over the last 30 years, and whose aim is to explode all existing nations into warring ethnic and/or religious entities.

Bani Sadr: It is a continuation of the same policies. They intervened in Libya, destroying a whole country in order to install a so-called democracy. But nobody has seen this democracy. What one sees there is greater insecurity, greater poverty. In reality, their aim was to destroy, in order to rebuild afterwards, paying a very high price to the Western companies that are sent later to "reconstruct." Despite all this, Libya is nonetheless sending weapons to the Syrian opponents!

NS: Don't you think the objectives of the new Western offensive in the Middle East go beyond that? They are targeting Iran, but also Syria, two economic and military powers in the region, something which will no doubt provoke a regional and even a world war, because Russia has a military agreement with Syria.

We, along with the Russians and the Chinese, believe that the West, on the verge of a total financial collapse, will try, by launching military provocations in the Middle East, to create the conditions for a Pax Americana—or rather, a Pax Britannica, because the Americans are riding on a British kite—in order to counter the emerging powers in Asia.

Bani Sadr: I don't think that the United States has the means to impose its hegemony on China, or even on the smaller countries of the Pacific region, not to say on India. Because the United States is no longer a superpower; it is becoming a country like any other. It doesn't have the means to impose itself on China, which has become the second economy in the world. Along with Japan and the rest of Asia, they are more important today than the whole of the West.

Neither does the U.S. have the military means to do so. We have observed in Iraq and Afghanistan what the American army has become. What they are aiming at is at controlling oil and gas. They think that by controlling the two centers of Central Asia and the Persian Gulf, they will be able to dialogue on equal footing with Asia, and in reality, establish a marginal superiority over Asia. What they want is to control the oil and gas.

Their justification is that after the U.S. departure from Iraq, Iran will become the hegemonic power in the region, because of the famous "green belt" of Shi'ism[2] which is hegemonic in Iran, in Iraq, in Syria, where the Alawites are a branch of Shi'ism, in Lebanon where the Hezbol-

1. For more on the Bernard Lewis Plan, see Scott Thompson and Jeffrey Steinberg; "Bernard Lewis: British Svengali Behind Clash of Civilizations," *EIR*, Nov. 30, 2001 (http://www.larouchepub.com/other/2001/2846b_lewis_profile.html).

2. The Shi'a green belt or axis is the alliance among the nations of Iran, sections of Iraq—those now dominated either by Iran or by Syria—through Syria and Lebanon, and including Hamas, which is Sunni, but politically allied with the axis.

lah dominates, and in Palestine, where even though Hamas is Sunni, it depends more and more on Iran.

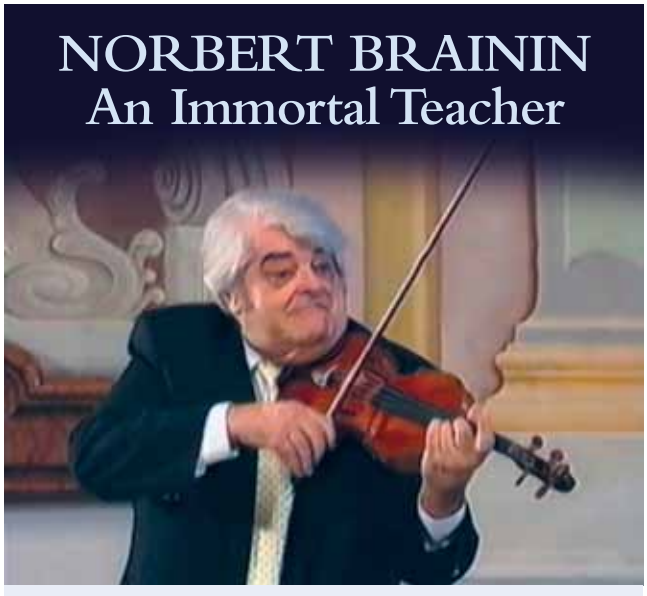
The West believes that the power of Iran cannot be balanced out by any other nation, except by Saudi Arabia and the small states of the Persian Gulf, which are governed by figures that are totally corrupt and hated by their people.

Therefore, Iran must be contained, and for this reason they first attack Syria, to try to replace the regime there with a Sunni regime, the practical consequence being to cut off Iran from Lebanon. Only a part of Iraq, the Shi'ite part, would then remain with Iran. According to the Western experts, Iran would no longer be then a hegemonic power. But who could play that role then?

NS: Well, Turkey is putting itself upfront to play that role, claiming a renewed desire to reconstitute a sort of neo-Ottoman Empire.

Bani Sadr: There's Turkey and Israel. What is the Israeli policy? To divide those countries into small ethnic and religious entities, so that no real power can exist in the region. But can Turkey play that role?

Let's first take note of the fact that Turkey was incapable of assuming that role in Central Asia, where it would have been natural that it do so. To play such a role means to have a strong currency and economy, to be able to lead the other countries in the region. Yet, it doesn't have those means.



On Sept. 20-22, 1995, the Schiller Institute sponsored a series of seminars/master classes, featuring Lyndon LaRouche's close friend and collaborator Norbert Brainin (1923-2005), the first violinist of the legendary Amadeus Quartet. The seminars, held at the DolnáKrupá castle in Slovakia, trace the revolution, begun by Hadyn's discovery of *Motivführung*, through the works of Mozart and Beethoven.
The 40-minute LPAC video is a montage from the seminar; the full videos can be found at: larouchepac.com/culture.

http://larouchepac.com/node/20178

No Sense of Mission in the West

NS: Let us come back to our hypothesis that the new offensive against the Middle East is a desperate attempt by a West, panicked over the perspective of losing its hegemony to the new centers of power and growth in Asia and in Eurasia, such as China, Russia, and India. You are in the position of an oriental wise man, living in France, at the heart of Europe; you also lived in Paris when you were a student. What are your thoughts about this Western crisis ?

Bani Sadr: There are several important causes to the crisis in the West. First, the lowering of the standards of living of the populations: After Second World War, the distribution of wealth between capital on the one hand and the workforce on the other was 50/50. Today, that proportion is 70 to 30 in favor of capital.

Another essential problem: The West abandoned the control of its economies to the financial markets. According to certain sources, in the United States, much more money goes to the financial markets than to the real economy, in a proportion of 7 to 1. The West is no longer a production economy, but a consumption economy.

And finally, there is no sense of mission in the West for the youth. It is that perspective of decline which panics certain networks in the West, some going as far as to ponder whether the atomic bomb can be used to reduce population!

It is all that that must be changed, but the Western leaders are not ready to go for the deep reforms which are necessary. Yet, it is all totally feasible. I did it in Iran when I was President. We nationalized all the banks, launched investments into fundamental research and production to develop a national economy for the people. We replaced the money cycle—which was coming in from foreign countries via purchases of raw materials, and transformed itself in Iran into oil and gas rent, which was distributed to the wealthiest, and went out of the country again to purchase luxury goods for that small group—with a national cycle aimed at developing the public good.

The real question is thus: Are there enough revolutionaries throughout the world to change the course of affairs for the better today?

FORGET THE EURO

Germany Needs a Two-Tier Bank System and New D-Mark

by Helga Zepp-LaRouche

Dec. 10—The European Union summit on Dec. 8-9 has produced an even more abominable monstrosity than EU policy was already: It did nothing to diminish the risk of collapse of the euro and of bank failures. A debt brake,[1] budget control by the European Commission, tougher sanctions against deficit violators, "more Europe," loss of sovereignty and democracy, economic hardship, and a future without hope for millions of people: That is the ghastly result of the "Merkozy" strategy. The threat of collapse of the trans-Atlantic financial system remains acute.

The only chance for the nations and peoples of Europe is the immediate introduction of a two-tier banking system, in conjunction with the restoration of sovereignty over national currencies and economies. Following the example of Franklin D. Roosevelt's Glass-Steagall Act, commercial banks and investment banks must be separated. The commercial banks must be placed under state protection and provided with new lines of credit, while the portion of the debt that comes from bailout packages for the banks, derivatives trading, investment banks, hedge funds, special purpose entities, and shadow banks, is either canceled or suspended.

The argument that this measure would cause many investors to lose their claims to the entire palette of "creative financial products," must be rejected, because this money is already lost: The system is bankrupt. If the institutions in which these securities are deposited are insolvent, then those securities are already worthless, and the attempt to postpone the reckoning by more tricks, such as the "leveraging" of fund deposits or other methods of the miraculous multiplication of money, will only mean that hyperinflation will destroy the life savings of the population throughout Europe. A social catastrophe and chaos would be the inevitable consequences.

Brüning-Style Austerity

The intention behind the line that bankers and supporters of the European Union have been circulating for some time—that all this has nothing to do with a banking crisis, but with a sovereign debt crisis—is an attempt not only to divert attention from the fact that the bailouts, and the whole policy based on monetarist maximum profit, are to blame for the sovereign debts; the line is also used as a rationalization for why high-risk speculation has to be maintained. The prescribed medicine—reducing the budget deficit and enshrining a debt brake in the Constitution—is best suited to kill the patient as quickly as possible. Chancellor Brüning's austerity policies created the well-known social conditions under which the Nazis were able to seize power.

1. The German Basic Law was amended in 2009 to introduce a "debt brake," essentially a balanced-budget amendment. From 2016 onwards, the government would not be permitted to have a debt of more than .35% of GDP.

RegierungOnline/Bergmann

German Chancellor Angela Merkel at the European Union summit, with French President Nicolas Sarkozy (second from left) and others. The ghastly "Merkozy" strategy for "saving" the euro prevailed, to the greater detriment of European nations.

The unfortunate case of Greece shows the consequences of the brutal austerity policies of the Troika (the International Monetary Fund, the European Central Bank, and the EU Commission): Pharmaceutical companies have stopped providing medicines for the seriously ill, because hospitals cannot pay the bills, and parents are turning their children over to SOS Children's Villages, because they can no longer feed them. Millions of people, and especially many millions of young people in the southern countries of Europe, are unemployed and lack any hope of a future.

It is also incomprehensible where "Merkozy" finds the optimism to believe that the old Stability Pact could now be adhered to in a much worse economic situation, given that it hasalready bankrupted almost all Europe's governments. The handover of Parliament's right to legislate the budget to a soulless EU Commission, which is now supposed to have the right to review budget proposals and to correct them—i.e., to cut them—tends to make elections unnecessary, because economic policy is no longer to be decided by the distribution of seats in Parliament, but by non-transparent EU technocrats whom no one has elected, and who are accountable to none. Automatic sanctions for violators and punishments by the European Court of Justice will create a climate in Europe in which the now already considerable enmity and bitterness knows no bounds.

And how are citizens supposed to have any confidence in governments which incessantly flout the rules they themselves have made—governments which axiomatically believe that treaties can only be put through behind their own citizens' backs, and who invent the most exotic legal sophistries, all in order to shore up a system in which all is permitted, so long as the oh-so-sensitive markets don't "get nervous"?

Since the Lisbon Treaty can only be revised jointly by all members, but Great Britain has now taken its leave, it was hastily agreed to draw up a new inter-governmental treaty which operates "outside" the existing treaty, and which changes Article 126 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, without changing the Lisbon Treaty itself.

The Euro Was Rotten from the Start

Which brings us to the one positive outcome of the EU summit: British Prime Minister David Cameron's refusal to submit to the EU Commission's diktat, and his rejection of a transaction tax and the Basel III[2] requirements, has now seriously opened up the possibility that Great Britain will accede to the Euro-critics' pressure, and will quit the EU altogether. The real reason for Cameron's move, of course, was the City of London's desire to distance itself as far as possible from the Continent, in view of the euro's impending collapse. But despite that, the departure of "perfidious Albion" would be a correction of Pompidou's error[3]—an error for which continental Europe has paid dearly ever since. And once one country has turned its back on the EU monster, the dam will have been breached, and other nations will find courage to draw their own conclusions from the fact that their populations' vital interests can no longer be protected if they remain within the EU.

The first step must be to recognize that the euro was a faulty construct from the very outset, one which could not possibly function, and which has now collapsed irrevocably. A two-tier banking system must thus be instituted, in conjunction with a return to national curren-

2. The Basel III accord would impose greater regulation on banks, including higher capital requirements.

3. French President Gen. Charles de Gaulle twice vetoed Britain's entry into the European Community, but his successor, Georges Pompidou, reversed that in May 1971, and France became a member.

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British Prime Minister David Cameron's refusal to go sign the EU agreement has one possible benefit: that Britain would leave the EU, opening up the option for others to do the same.

cies, because only each country's sovereignty over its own economic policy will permit measures to be taken that are right for that country. Fixed rates of exchange must be established among the various currencies, so that long-term cooperation on international projects can be protected, and speculation against currencies forbidden.

Germany's Foreign Policy

Instead of joining in a highly volatile game of encirclement against Russia and China, such as NATO and the EU have been playing since the collapse of the Soviet Union, and instead of remaining hysterically silent about the obvious war plans against Syria and Iran, whose apocalyptic consequences surely must be clear to everyone, Germany should decide upon a sovereign foreign policy which is in its own interests.

As long as Russia, China, India, and other Asian nations remain relatively stable economically, and are not swept up into the effects of the global collapse crisis, these countries represent huge markets for Germany and for other sovereign European nations, and a 50- to 100-year development perspective offers huge opportunities, especially for our *Mittelstand*, our private small and medium-sized industrial firms. Germany must simply return to the industrial policy it had during its post-1945 reconstruction era, a policy oriented toward scientific and technological progress, and high energy-flux densities.

Instead of passively tolerating the obvious attempts to destabilize Russian Prime Minister Putin's upcoming Presidency by means of an "orange revolution," à la George Soros and Mikhail Gorbachov, thereby helping to create an enemy image for World War III, Germany should look to its own raw materials and energy security, and should cooperate with the nations of Asia in jointly opening up the Far East and the Arctic region.

The German *Mittelstand*'s technological capabilities are urgently needed for developing Russia's Far East and China's interior regions, as well as for conquering the scandalous poverty in which 70% of the Indian population lives.

These nations, for their part, have launched into manned spaceflight with the same pioneering spirit which we Germans once had, and into making scientific breakthroughs in order to better and more profoundly understand and master the laws of the universe.

It is high time that we jointly address ourselves to humanity's great unifying issues. An imperial structure such as the current EU has become—one which people increasingly perceive as a mechanism of oppression, which has contributed not to peace in Europe, but instead to enmity among peoples, and to hostility toward Germany—such a structure must be abolished.

The envisaged European fiscal union is already in violation of the principles set forth in the German Constitutional Court's so-called Lisbon Ruling. Therefore, we demand that a referendum be held on whether Germany should remain within, or leave the EU and the euro, and also on whether to introduce a new D-mark.

Time is very short. The danger of a banking collapse, and of war, requires that we act quickly. If Europe is to be spared an existential catastrophe, it is essential that a two-tier banking system be immediately set in place, and that sovereignty be attained over our currency and our economy. We must, right now, mobilize the spiritual and cultural powers that will enable us to become again a people of thinkers, poets, and inventors.

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LAROUCHE NATIONAL SLATE

Candidates Launch Campaign Against 'Sectionalism'

by Nancy Spannaus

Dec. 10—"And the reason we have a mess with government, today, is because it's incompetent. It's based on section, sectional interest, which is the death of Federal government. And if a guy can't talk about the Federal responsibilities, as such, but says, 'I only talk about this issue,' he should be kicked out of government, for incompetence. He's not competent to be a Federal representative if he keeps jabbering away about these little home-grown things. And it's not how well he represents the state, it's how well he represents the Federal government as a union, from his state!...

"You're dealing now, therefore, with a fundamental question of Constitutional law. And the first thing we've got to do, is *get rid of anything which is sectionalist*! We do not need another Confederacy!"

That was Lyndon LaRouche speaking on Dec. 3, in a presentation which included a charge to the LaRouche national Congressional slate to launch a unified campaign against "the disease of sectionalism." On Dec. 8, the six LaRouche Democratic candidates did just that, in a 50-minute Internet discussion which was posted on www.larouchepac.com/campaigns. This was just the first shot in what will be a sustained campaign to restore the Constitutional principles of the United States, starting first and foremost, by removing the chief British-run impediment to that desperately urgent objective, President Barack Obama, and establishing a "New Presidency."

Introducing the Slate

Kicking off and moderating the discussion was Kesha Rogers, the LaRouche Congressional candidate from Texas, who has just filed for the Democratic primary in the 22nd C.D. On the line with her were the five other members of the slate: Diane Sare from New Jersey; Dave Christie from Washington State; Bill Roberts from Michigan; Rachel Brown from Massachusetts; and Summer Shields from California.

Kesha Rogers, Texas

In Rogers' introduction, and throughout, she stressed the quality of leadership being presented by the six candidates as a unified national group. She identified "localism" as the major disease which the slate would attack, because it is "against every principle on which our nation was founded." The Constitutional principle means a fight for the general welfare of the nation as a whole, and going against popular opinion, which acts to prevent the necessary measures from being taken. It means going for the truth against popular opinion.

Rogers then turned over the microphone to New Jersey candidate Diane Sare, to review the overall strategic situation at present as the necessary context for the discussion. Sare sharply conveyed the reality of the economic breakdown crisis, unfolding dramatically at that very moment in Europe, and the immediate threat of thermonuclear confrontation being manipulated by London. These existential crises demand a quality of leadership not now evident in the United States Congress or elsewhere—especially on the question of removing Obama.

Diane Sare, New Jersey

Yes, said Rogers, we have a "crisis of leadership" in the United States, which our national slate is determined to address by exerting the necessary leadership. Take a look at these so-called Republican Presidential candidates; take a look at Obama. The situation is disastrous unless a new leadership emerges.

What Leadership Involves

At that point Dave Christie chimed in to present the model of competent national leadership, in the form of LaRouche's role within the institution of the U.S. Presidency from the 1970s on. It was then that LaRouche developed the concept of the Strategic Defense Initiative, a concept which has been revived today by the Russians in the form of the Strategic Defense of Earth proposal, and Arctic development. Presenting such concepts represents the true content of national leadership, a change in conception which is crucial to preventing unthinkable nuclear war, and which will redefine everything, including the role of the U.S. military back to the engineering concept on which West Point was based.

Dave Christie, Washington State

Bill Roberts then took up the issue from the negative standpoint, specifically the way in which partisanship and sectionalism had subverted the mobilization of the trade union movement since the 2010 national elections. There was a time when unionists were also national political leaders, he said, citing the role of Walter Reuther in leading the United Auto Workers union in the 1930s and '40s, and in developing the plans for the World War II industrial mobilization.

Bill Roberts, Michigan

But today, the unions don't take such responsibility for the nation. Just look at how they failed to go beyond simply trying to counter the state-by-state anti-union campaigns which came out of that election, and refused to act to remove Obama, or even fight for Glass-Steagall. Such institutions have succumbed to a corrupting influence, in contrast to those lawmakers John F. Kennedy wrote of in *Profiles in Courage.*

Tolerating Obama

The next theme of the discussion—what leads to the toleration of the broadly despised nation-wrecker Barack Obama—was kicked off by Rachel Brown, who, after a comment on how ostensibly weak, but truthful forces (and reality) had led to the announcement by Rep. Barney Frank (D-Mass.) that he would not seek re-election, issued a challenge to all political candidates, to hone in on the issues of stopping thermonuclear war by getting rid of Obama.

Rachel Brown, Massachusetts

Sare seconded her challenge, and extended it to the American people. Why are they tolerating monstrosities such as Obama, and creatures like Newt Gingrich?

Summer Shields then reframed the question. Indeed, it is shameful that people tolerate Obama and atrocities like eliminating the space program and eviscerating the United States' industrial heartland, he said; but it is fundamentally because people do not understand the *large* oligarchical principle which stands behind these evils, and that they have to fight it. To do that, they have to comprehend the mindset of those who want to wipe out the world's population. The oligarchy is the "they" that people are always saying can't be stopped—but they can.

Summer Shields, California

The alternative, Rogers emphasized, is to develop the ideas which can unify the nation, and the planet, ideas such as the North American Water and Power Alliance (NAWAPA). The commitment to such ideas, which are the essence of the commitment to scientific progress enshrined in the Constitution, means having the courage, and taking the responsibility for developing the nation. That's the very opposite of sticking to "local interests" and sectionalism.

The American Soul

In his last intervention, Christie took up another major disease of sectionalism, or localism—environmentalism. There is no idea more corrosive and belittling than this, he said, since environmentalists see man as the equivalent of a worm in the dirt. And this idea has been wielded by the British oligarchy as a means of destroying the historical character of the United States.

Deep within the American soul is a fundamental hatred of environmentalist ideas, Christie asserted. But, as the political parties are organized now, with environmentalism enshrined in their agendas, people have to buck popular opinion and the party leaderships to fight for progress. This particularly comes up with the question of Obama, because people refuse to see him as the British puppet he is, and therefore generally feel compelled to defend him out of loyality to the party, when the fact is, that he and his commitments are fundamentally opposed to any Democratic Party worthy of the name.

But will the American people face this truth, and refuse to be manipulated by localist interests—which, indeed, only permit Obama to function as a virtual dictator over the government?

Sare addressed this issue by reciting the final lines of Percy B. Shelley's "Masque of Anarchy," which read:

"Rise like lions after slumber
"In unvanquishable NUMBER!
"Shake your chains to earth, like dew
"Which in sleep had fall'n on you:
"YE ARE MANY—THEY ARE FEW."

Yet, without an understanding of the principled basis for government, especially the U.S. Constitution, action by the "many" will only lead to disaster. The principle of leadership demands action by the few for the unified welfare of the nation in the *interest* of the many. That is the commitment of the LaRouche national slate in its campaign *against* sectionalism, and *for* the immediate removal of Obama, institution of Glass-Steagall, and launching the establishment of a new world financial system appropriate to the survival and flourishing of all mankind.

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LaRouche's Historic Role in Catalyzing Global Resistance to World War III

EIR Counterintelligence Editor Jeffrey Steinberg was interviewed on Dec. 6, by Matthew Ogden of LPAC-TV. The discussion centered on Lyndon LaRouche's key role today in catalyzing the resistance among leading figures from the U.S., and around the world, to British plans for thermonuclear World War III. Steinberg develops the history of the resistance to war inside Israel today; including, LaRouche's dialogues with leading Israeli patriots, including Abba Eban, stretching back to the early 1970s.

Ogden: Jeff, thank you for joining us in the studio today. I wanted you to come in to discuss the global resistance that Lyndon LaRouche has catalyzed to the British plans for thermonuclear war.

And as viewers of this web site know very well, we have covered the fact that there is a large resistance inside the top layers of the U.S. military and intelligence establishment, which has been catalyzed by LaRouche's actions. But this resistance also spreads worldwide, and very significantly, we're seeing a resistance inside Israel to the plans by [Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin] Netanyahu and others. And as LaRouche made the point, this resistance in Israel has a long history to it, which he has been intimately involved in. So maybe you could say a little on this resistance worldwide.

Steinberg: Well, any competent military, or intelligence official of any government—particularly the United States and Israel, because we're talking about a preemptive attack against Iran—any competent official knows that any such attack will very likely lead to counter-actions and an escalation that will very rapidly go up to a general war, drawing in the United States, Russia, China, other countries. And that the likelihood of this general war reaching the level of exchanges of thermonuclear weapons is great. So we're really talking about something that would potentially wipe out humanity in its entirety.

LPAC-TV

Jeffery Steinberg on LPAC-TV Dec. 6.

And so, from the standpoint of the U.S. military command, the opposition to any kind of action right now against Iran is enormous. You've had a number of very senior retired military people coming out publicly. We've published, for example, an interview with Gen. Joseph Hoar, the former head of the Central Command, who is very, very clear, very adamant against any military action (*EIR*, Nov. 18, 2011). And he speaks for himself, but also for a viewpoint shared by many people in the U.S. military, both retired and active duty.

We also interviewed Dr. Hans Blix, the former head of the IAEA [International Atomic Energy Agency], who said categorically, "absolutely no," when asked whether he thought the IAEA report warranted military action against Iran (*EIR*, Nov. 25, 2011).

The point is that, under no circumstances, does this make any sense to anybody who is not stark-raving insane and a genocidalist.

What you've got as well in Israel, is a tradition of certain people, who, while they are unquestionably ardent Zionists, they're also nationalists. They've de-

veloped a certain sense that they are part of a country that exists under very dangerous circumstances, in a really dangerous neighborhood, and the idea of Netanyahu and [Defense Minister Ehud] Barak launching a preemptive attack against Iran at this point, when everybody knows that Iran is nowhere close to having a nuclear bomb, would be the ultimate act of national suicide, on the part of Israel.

Two Pawns of the British Empire

The problem that you're dealing with, is, that between Benjamin Netanyahu in Israel, and President Barack Obama in the United States, you have two people who are not only mentally unbalanced, but are pawns of a very specific British imperial faction that does want to blow up the world, quite literally. Their agenda is massive population reduction, on a scale that's never before been seen in history. Prince Philip talks about eliminating 6 billion out of the present 7 billion population of this planet, and there are others in his circle who speak in these exact terms.

So, the point is, you've got a dangerous factor, in that you've got a British oligarchy that's desperate over the fact that a system that's been in place since the time of the Peloponnesian Wars, since the advent of the Roman Empire—that system has now reached a breakpoint, where it's one of those moments of absolute doom. And there are certain people who are even more insane than Netanyahu and Obama, who simply say, "If we can't run the world, then blow it all up." And there are some delusions that somehow or other, if you launch global thermonuclear war, that you can neatly put a stop at killing 6 billion people rather than 7. This is shear madness, but it is a madness that is rampant in some very powerful and desperate political circles right at this very moment.

And so, that's what we're dealing with.

Now, as I said, within Israel, you have several different currents: You've got elements of Zionism that are more modernist, more secular, more nationalist—some of the roots of this go back to the early Zionist settlers who predate the founding of the state of Israel in 1948. So, you've got that sort of long tradition.

Some of those people came out of the European Socialist movements, and fled Europe under the threat of pogroms, and the suppression of the left wing, and things like that. So you've got that tradition there. That's a whole other issue that we're not going to discuss today—i.e., whether there is a deep fundamental flaw that's rampant in all forms of Zionism. But for now, the crucial thing is that you've got a nationalist element. They're in the military, they're in the Mossad, they're in the Shin Bet, they're in other institutions of government and society in Israel. And they are coming forward, more aggressively than they've been in recent decades, precisely because they see an existential crisis—that this lunatic Netanyahu—and Barak has become quite as mad as Netanyahu, so much so, that he could literally launch an action that could lead to the destruction, extermination of Israel.

Now, Netanyahu comes from a different tradition. Netanyahu's father, who is still alive—he's 100 years old—was the personal secretary, and then the heir, to the revisionist Zionist movement of Vladimir Jabotinsky. Now, revisionism, Zionism, all of these terms are very euphemistic, because, two things about Jabotinsky: He was a British agent of a very particular sort, of the same variety we saw in another famous Russian, named Parvus, who was the person who developed the concept of "permanent war, permanent revolution." These were fanatical revolutionaries, radical jacobins, who operated as high-level, sophisticated British agents.

From Jabotinsky to Netanyahu

In the case of Alexander Helphand Parvus, it was Fredrick Engels who played a direct role as his sort of patron and case officer, for the British, Fabian imperial networks. Parvus worked closely with Jabotinsky, who was the founder of this messianic Zionist movement. They worked together for the Young Turks movement that was an insurgency, part of a British destabilization factor, that included young Europe, young America.

During World War I, Jabotinsky actually headed up a Zionist unit within the British army, fighting within the Middle East, on behalf of the British. So, there's a pedigree of Jabotinsky extended into Netanyahu—that these are not nationalist patriots. They are fanatical ideologues of the doctrine of permanent war, permanent revolution. And they are also, at the same time agents, agents very much under control of the British. So there's a revolt against that.

The people in Israel typified by the former Mossad director Meir Dagan, or the former head of the Israeli Defense Force—you have both Gen. [Gabi] Ashkenazi

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Leading military and intelligence figures, such as (left to right) retired generals Shaul Mofaz, Meir Dagan, and Gabi Ashkenazi, see that their country is being led by a madman, Netanyahu, and that Israel is on the verge of launching an attack that could have deadly and irreversible consequences for the nation.

and Gen. [Shaul] Mofaz. Do these people understand the full scope of this permanent war, permanent revolution disease? Or do they understand that Netanyahu is functioning as a British agent in his madness and his drive for this war? I don't think they understand that. They have a much more rudimentary impulse, which is that they see that their country is being led by a madman, and that they're on the verge of launching an attack that could have deadly and irreversible consequences for Israel.

This existential crisis hearkens back to an earlier period; and there was a period in the middle of the 1970s, and extended in the 1980s and beyond, where Lyndon LaRouche was in direct communication with a number of leading figures in the old Israeli nationalist orbit. And again, we're leaving aside the question of the pros and cons of Zionism as a movement in the first place.

But, back in the mid-1970s, LaRouche launched an initiative that actually took the form of proposed legislation; it was called the "Middle East Peace and Development Act of 1975." The essence of what LaRouche said was: The Middle East region has been basically a laboratory and playground for European, particularly British, colonial manipulation for more than 100 years. You have very, very deep scars; you've got hatreds that go back two, three, four generations. The idea that you're simply going to have a kiss-and-make-up agreement between the Arabs and Jews in Israel is very unlikely.

A War-Avoidance Policy

So the question is, how do you avoid war, how do you bring some level of peace and prosperity to this region? What LaRouche said at the time, was you've got really a perfect recipe for this area to become a prosperous and developing part of the world. We're talking about immediately after the great oil hoaxes, where you had the massive escalation in oil prices in the early- and mid-1970s.

What LaRouche said is: Why should Iran, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, all of these countries, simply, automatically turn over all of their oil profits to the City of London and Wall Street to use against their own interests? Why not create a Middle East development bank? Use that development bank to issue long-term credits for projects that will completely transform the area.

He said, under those circumstances, there are natural points of self-interest. You've got Israel, which at that time, still really did have a very advanced population, highly educated, technology-oriented. You had Israeli agricultural expertise, you had the nuclear energy and other high-technology capabilities.

So in other words, you had a highly skilled potential labor force there that could work on projects beneficial to the entire region. In Egypt you still had a very large, relatively skilled population. Egypt today has 85 million people. It had to have had 60 million or so people during that period. They had a certain skill level as well.

Then, of course, you had tremendous needs. The big issue in the Middle East, the big crisis, always centered

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on the question of water. So the potential of development of major water projects, that would again allow the region to become a breadbasket for the world. These were all the issues on the table. Now those ideas resonated with many of the old leaders who were still around and very active at that time.

LaRouche Goes to Iraq

In 1975, LaRouche was invited to Iraq. There was a celebration, an anniversary of the founding of the Ba'ath party. He was there; he had a chance to meet with many Arab diplomats, a scientist, government officials, economists; and this was right at the point that Henry Kissinger was launching a major destabilization of the same region, in the form of the civil war in Lebanon.

And at one point, LaRouche was brought to a kind of a private gathering outside of Baghdad, and a group of these diplomats wanted to get his assessment of what was going on. And he warned that there was about to be an eruption of an externally manipulated, a British-manipulated, civil war in Lebanon that was intended to destabilize the whole region.

So there was great interest in LaRouche's proposal for this economic development approach to dealing with what otherwise seemed to be completely intractable problems.

There was, by the way, an invitation extended by the Iraqi ambassador to France, who offered to host a briefing in Europe, for Mr. LaRouche to go through this proposal, and during the same period, LaRouche had broadened the idea of a Middle East development bank, and proposed the creation of an International Development Bank, following a debt moratorium on the unpayable debt, even back then.

That meeting in Paris was cancelled as the result of a personal intervention by Henry Kissinger, who basically threatened food war against Iraq and any other country that participated in this event with Mr. LaRouche.

But, interestingly, when he got back to New York City, Mr. LaRouche was contacted by Abba Eban, who was at that time a visiting professor at Columbia University; he was living in New York temporarily, but he had been a foreign minister of Israel; he would later go on to head up the Knesset Committee on Foreign Affairs and National Security; he was one of these prominent figures within the Israeli Zionist nationalist camp. And Abba Eban approached LaRouche, and they had a very candid series of discussions.

First of all, Eban was very much interested in what LaRouche was proposing, in terms of this very different approach, outside the framework of the IMF and World Bank, and all of this malthusian insanity. Remember this was the period where the big *au courant* idea was that there are limits to growth, the idea that everything had to be scaled back; population reduction, all of this insanity. So, LaRouche was proposing a very fresh idea, which is a deeply American idea, namely: We're going to build our way towards greater prosperity, towards mutual self-interest, and we're going to establish a community of principle among

The former Foreign Minister of Israel Abba Eban approached LaRouche in New York, where the two had a series of candid discussions about LaRouche's ideas for economic development of the Middle East region as a war avoidance strategy.

countries that have a deep history of animosity.

And what Abba Eban said to LaRouche in that context was, "Look, I'm very worried, because I see on the near horizon, that the right wing is about to come to power in Israel, and we have very little time to do something to stop it." And he also admitted that one of the worst mistakes that Israel had made, had been the 1967 War, in which they captured the West Bank and Gaza, and the Golan Heights, and took all of Jerusalem, because it created a much deeper fault line between Israel and all of her Arab neighbors. And it created an intractable conflict that he saw moving in a much more deadly and dangerous direction, with the fear that the Likud bloc, the Herut bloc, would come into power.

And of course in 1977, Menachem Begin was elected prime minister of Israel, and within a year, you had an Israeli invasion of southern Lebanon. You didn't have a *big* Middle East war, like 1948, 1967, 1973; but in a very real sense, we've been living in a prolonged period of permanent war throughout the region, low-intensity war that just is never-ending; and whether it's the '78 invasion of Lebanon, the 1982-83 invasion of Lebanon, Operation Cast Lead (the Israeli invasion of the Gaza Strip in the late Winter of 2008), the earlier invasion of the West Bank, there has been a permanent state of warfare and instability. And the region is now ready to blow.

And so, the revolt on the part of the more nationalist element in Israel, very much is reminiscent of the earlier reflection of LaRouche's collaboration, first with Abba Eban; later it extended to a dialogue with Nahum Goldmann, and later, with Rabbi Arthur Hertzberg. It was a group of people who could agree to disagree with LaRouche on certain things, but who saw that his fundamental approach, with a strong anchor in economic justice, very much cohered with their deeply held views. And this collaboration is an important subtext of the history of the entire period.

And, if we're going to avoid a cataclysmic war right now, then these forces are going to have to be encouraged and strengthened, and inspired. Because, right now, we're on the very edge: There is actually no guarantee that the efforts—the leading efforts by the U.S. military—to prevent this war are going to actually succeed.

Obama Must Be Removed

You've got a President Obama, whose strings are pulled from London, by the very faction that is desperate to literally blow up the world, if they see that there is a genuine danger that their entire imperial system, this latter-day Roman Empire known as the British Empire, is going to collapse. We're on the edge of a disintegration of the entire trans-Atlantic financial and monetary system. And that's been the anchor of the British Empire: the ability to exert private oligarchical control over Western finance.

And of course, they see that Asia, relative to the trans-Atlantic region, is surviving, and in some cases, even prospering. That's completely intolerable. And so that's why, suddenly, in the recent period, Obama has gone on a berserker attack against both Russia and China. It's caught people by surprise, but not LaRouche, not us, because we know that we're dealing with an Emperor Nero-type personality.

And in the case of Netanyahu, you not only have the personality, but you have the ideological history that goes back to his father, who, as I said, is still alive, and greatly influential on him. And the Parvus-Jabotinsky nexus that has a history of over 100 years, being an asset, a war-making asset, for British intelligence.

The key that LaRouche has been emphasizing for months, and something that more and more people in Washington are now beginning to grapple with, is that you have to, constitutionally, remove President Obama from office. There's no alternative to that. There's no way of tiptoeing around that issue. The British want to

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The British have two key assets in their drive for war: Barack Obama and Benjamin Netanyahu, shown here at the White House in May 2009.

start a massive war. You can't have a massive war without the United States being under the control of those would-be warmongers. And if you eliminate Obama—and there's ample reason to be able to do that already; there are grounds for his impeachment. There are grounds for the Vice President invoking the 25th Amendment, Section 4, for removing him because he's mentally unfit to serve. All of these things are right there on the table.

Our emphasis is that you've got to understand that we are facing this existential crisis, and that the problem is coming from London. And that the timing is absolutely essential. There have been many important steps taken, predominantly by leading U.S. military circles, to basically throw off the timetable and disrupt those British war plans. But they're going to regroup and keep coming back again and again.

And then they've got these two key assets: They've got Netanyahu, and they've got Obama. And they also know that they've got people inside Iran, who can be predictably provoked into taking the kinds of actions that provide a pretext. You could have an incident that's a completely manufactured incident, like the Gulf of Tonkin incident, that got the United States dragged all the way into the war in Vietnam. There are many things right now that could be done that could bring us to the brink of thermonuclear extinction, in a matter of literally moments or hours.

And that's why you've got to do something that's definitive, that basically eliminates the potential for this to go any further. And the only option on the table to do that, is to invoke the Constitution, to begin impeachment proceedings against President Obama; or for members of the Cabinet to come to the conclusion that many of them are already mulling over: that the guy is crazy, and that it's a danger to the United States, and to mankind, every moment that he remains in office.

The 25th Amendment

That's why the 25th Amendment was developed in the first place. The two examples that were studied were: What would have happened if President Kennedy had survived, but had been completely rendered incapable of continuing to serve as President? There was no clearly defined mechanism for how to deal with a President who is alive, but incapable of serving. And they also had the example of Woodrow Wilson, who either had a stroke, or a mental breakdown, and for the last 18 months of his Presidency, he was a vegetable. He was kept hidden in the Oval Office, and other people, unelected, were making all of the decisions.

So the 25th Amendment was very carefully debated and crafted, and it's here, waiting to be used. It's the perfect instrument for moving with great speed to remove this President from office, before the nuclear warheads start flying.

I hated it when [former Secretary of State] Condi Rice used the fake images of mushroom clouds, when we knew that Saddam Hussein did not have the nuclear weapons capability. But, that's not the case with Israel. And it's not the case under these present circumstances. There's a very real danger, a very real specter of this situation careening very rapidly out of control.

So, the flank is: Get rid of Obama. The prospects for the future are very bright, but we've got to face the immediate and current reality, and if you try to avoid that question, then you're basically putting all of mankind at risk, at existential risk.

Analysts Blast Obama's Drive for Armaggedon

Opposition to Obama's drive for a World War III confrontation with Russia and China, through provocations in the Mideast cockpit continues to spread in postings by members of the military-intelligence community. Writing in antiwar.com Dec. 7, former CIA officer Philip Giraldi reports that the Obama White House has recently issued several edicts (called "findings") to the intelligence community, authorizing stepped-up covert action against both Damascus and Tehran, which, when combined with the evidence of major intelligence operations being run in Lebanon, "amount to a secret war against Iran and its allies in the Mideast."

Obama has extended Bush-era intelligence findings, and has added new covert operations. These include, Giraldi notes, the characterizing of Iran's Revolutionary Guard as a terrorist organization; a 2007 Bush finding authorizing attacks on Iran's nuclear scientists and facilities, and coordination with the Israelis on developing computer viruses; and a 2003 finding authorizing the use of intelligence assets to disrupt Revolutionary Guard activity in border zones.

Philip Giraldi

Giraldi says that assassinations—"which are acts of war"—carried out under these findings are done by the People's Mujahedin of Iran (MEK), the Baluch Jundallah, and the Kurdist PJAK. The new Obama edict on Iran extends the existing initiatives, and intends to create new insurgencies along all of Iran's borders, including among the Azeris in northwest Iran.

In Syria, despite warnings from Russia and China, foreign intervention is well under way, involving support for the insurgency from Turkey and several European countries, and the arming of rebels with surplus weapons from Libya flown in on NATO aircraft. Also, some 600 Libyan fighters who helped overthrow Muammar Gaddafi have been imported, along with French and British special forces on the ground. The United States is providing communications equipment and intelligence to the rebels. National Endowment for Democracy cadres are providing "democracy" training.

Giraldi warns that these destabilizations, taking place under the pretext of the "responsibility to protect" civilians, could provoke civil war and the suppression of Syria's minority populations.

Resistance against Strike on Iran

A posting by retired Defense Intelligence Agency analyst Pat Lang on his website Dec. 6, reiterates in no uncertain terms what *EIR*'s military-intelligence sources have been saying: "The CJCS (Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff) and SecDef have made their positions clear. No new war on behalf of Israel unless they are attacked first."

Patrick Lang

This is the conclusion of Lang's posting on his website, attacking Andrea Mitchell, NBC Chief Foreign Affairs Correspondent (wife of former Fed chairman Alan Greenspan), broadcasting from Tel Aviv in "her spiritual home" of Israel, "where she made every effort to force Israelis to agree that Iran is an immediate and existential threat to Israel and that Obama is a gutless p—-y who doesn't really love Israel."

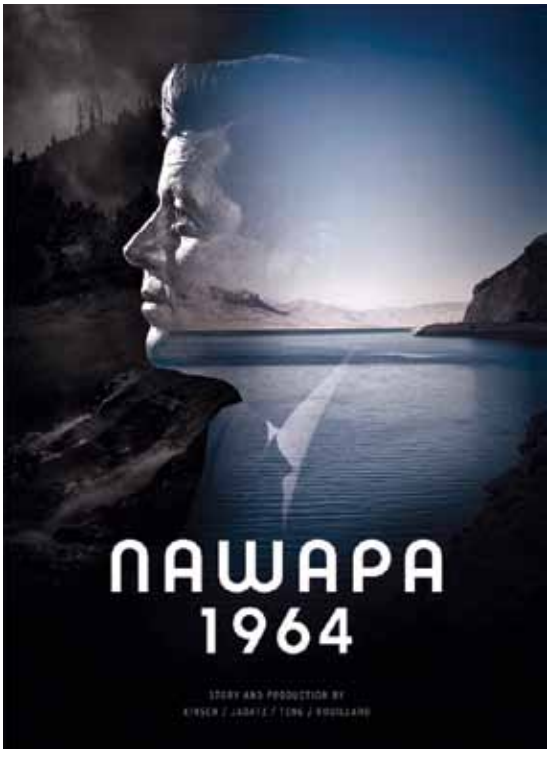
Lang continues: "There is a tremendous controversy in Israel over these points. The IDF (Israeli Defense Force) general staff is dragging its feet over the wisdom of such an attack without America in the lead, and former Mossad chiefs like Dagan and Halevy are doing everything they can to stop Bibi and Barak in their rush toward war. Are the naysayers doing this because they have warm feelings for Iran? Hell no! They can see that Israel lacks the capability to cripple Iran (unless they use nuclear weapons). The CJCS and SecDef have made their positions clear. No new war on behalf of Israel unless they are attacked first."

A NEVER-BEFORE-TOLD STORY

NAWAPA 1964: The Fight for The Great Water Project

Released on Thanksgiving 2011, the LPAC-TV documentary "NAWAPA 1964" www.larouchepac.com/node/20446 is the true story of the fight for the North American Water and Power Alliance, a plan first put forward by the Ralph M. Parsons Co. It spans the period of the 1960s and early '70s, and is told primarily through the words of Utah Sen. Frank Moss (D), who led the fight in Congress to pass the legislation. The video presents historic footage, rarely, or never seen before by the American public, including extraordinary films of President John F. Kennedy calling for a national commitment to great projects, especially water projects.

Michael Kirsch, a member of the LaRouchePAC Basement research team, which produced the video, answered questions from EIR *Managing Editor Bonnie James on Dec. 11.*



"NAWAPA 1964" situates the political fight for the great North American water project within the dramatic historical events of the 1960s and '70s, showing how the project was ultimately defeated by the paradigm-shift identified with the "68ers."

EIR: The new LPAC video "NAWAPA 1964" has a lot of material that has not been seen before, or at least not by the vast majority of people. This includes the footage of President Kennedy, giving several speeches about the importance of water projects for the Western United States. Can you say more about this?

Kirsch: This is a little-known and buried element of JFK's understanding and administration. Most people are not aware of the depth of his understanding and commitment to an economy based on technological progress, and a measurement of value found in that understanding, and not found by watching the market, or talking about money.

In putting together the film "NAWAPA 1964," a drama in which all of the events are occurring after JFK's death, I received some help from the archives in finding this incredible collection of his actions related toward water and power projects. Ninety-nine point nine percent of all Americans have never seen, or for that matter heard, these speeches from 1962 and 1963. And just as I was, any patriot will

Sen. Frank Moss (center), led a relentless fight in Congress for NAWAPA, and succeeded in winning widespread support.

be absolutely shocked to realize what had been kept out of our reach for so long, until myself and others have made this accessible to people at LaRouchePAC.com.

FDR to JFK: A Generational Commitment

EIR: A theme of Kennedy's speeches in Colorado, South Dakota, and Utah was clearly the idea that we must carry out these great projects "for those who come after us," as he put it. And also, his view that we must begin to provide what he called "the same rich inheritance" that his generation enjoyed from those who came before. It seems this philosophy is very far removed from that of today's politicians.

Kirsch: Both for its own sake, and as supplementary material to "NAWAPA 1964," I put together a video record with introductions of six of Kennedy's great speeches mentioned, and recommend both films being watched in conjunction. The video record is called "JFK's Speeches Toward a Nationwide TVA" (www.larouchepac.com/reclaimjfk).

On Aug. 17 and 18, 1962, JFK took a short, but long desired trip to the West, to dedicate three great water and power projects, leading him to declare that year the banner year for reclamation, with the most new project starts since President Franklin Roosevelt, as Truman's Administration, directed from the British Foreign office, had done everything in its power to halt national development projects.

At reclamation dedications at South Dakota, Colorado, and California, JFK's true colors are fully brought to light, as regards his understanding of the productive powers of labor, as the essential basis of physical economics, rather than monetarism. Along with discussing the legacy of Franklin Roosevelt, the Rural Electrification Association, he advances the generational concept of national planning, and state infrastructure projects as a national responsibility.

Kennedy emphasizes the economic principle of constantly acting toward the next higher step of growth in order to move ahead in the present, how Western water development shows man's ability to willfully determine his own conditions, rather than being subject to chance, which should be the obvious role of government. Kennedy follows the same, but further developed course, in September and October of 1963, which are also documented in the second half of this video.

The audiences of this video and "NAWAPA 1964," are given a very clear mooring point to which they can return.

Part of the passion which drove the production of "NAWAPA 1964" was to make it understood by the older generation still guiding policy, what we were, and where we went, and what it is that is still worth fighting to revive, even in the face of what appears to be a terrible ignorance that has taken over

The Ralph M. Parsons Co. developed the original plans for NAWAPA, and collaborated with Senator Moss in promoting the project, which was intended to re-engineer the entire water system of the North American continent.

The Vietnam War not only killed tens of thousands of American soldiers, and uncounted numbers of Vietnamese, it also killed NAWAPA, by shifting the nation's focus from great projects to the war, and demoralizing an entire generation of young people.

and brought us to the point threatened extinction.

EIR: I was struck by how much support and activity there was for the NAWAPA project at the time—the collaboration between the Parsons Co., which came up with the plan, and Sen. Frank Moss of Utah, who led the fight for it in Congress, which won over many members of Congress. Why do you think this is little known today?

Kirsch: The intention to make the NAWAPA project a reality today caused us to exhaust all sources of historical information and data available, and in that process, someone else who was knowledgeable on the subject was prompted by our revived intention, to alert us to the greatest source. This, of course, was the Senate office correspondence of Frank Moss himself, which is the only place to get the real story.

Now, why no one had produced a film based on the correspondence until now, has its cause in the same place as where our inspiration to make this film lies.

The Paradigm-Shift of the 1960s

EIR: The tragic loss of JFK, and of his brother Bobby five years later, combined with the onset of the Vietnam War, and the eruption of the "Sixty-eighter" movement, as well-documented in the film, ensured that NAWAPA would be buried at the time. The comment by LBJ—who, as someone said, "likes Texas-size plans"—that NAWAPA should be pursued, "if and when the Vietnam War is settled," is telling.

Kirsch: "NAWAPA 1964" is a tragedy, but what makes it most interesting is the fact that it is a document of the actual process which took place—the major shift of our nation into disaster—based on actual occurrences, and the project which represented the culmination of a Kennedy shift toward greatness.

It shows how ideas or plans of action are in reality not determined by themselves and the people involved in them alone, but are shaped entirely by intentions and cultural mooring points.

EIR: The shift from the 1960s Kennedy-era "can-do" drive for real progress, to the zero-growth, anti-population policies that erupted in the 1970s, was powerfully illustrated in the video. How did the radical environmentalist movement, especially as shaped by Prince Philip's World Wildlife Fund, founded in 1961, impact the pro-development orientation epitomized by President Kennedy?

Kirsch: One point of clarification which "NAWAPA 1964" shows, starting from JFK's nation-building program, and ending with the early 1970s, is that the reason NAWAPA was not built has nothing at all to do with the environmentalist movement. This may be a shock for a lot of people who, in the last 30 years, have come head to head with the "mankind is inherently destructive" axiom of the environmentalist movement everytime they have tried to build anything new, and develop any scientific project; however, the existence and toleration of the murderous program of the environmentalist movement has the same cause as the failure of NAWAPA, and therefore one effect could not be the cause of another effect.

In other words, NAWAPA was never built because of the phase-shift that occurred in the wake of JFK's death, including the Vietnam War, and assassination of his brother, who was the last member of government to speak without fear or restraint as to the necessary direc-

The events of 1968—the Columbia University strike, the assassinations of Martin Luther King and Robert Kennedy, and the Chicago Democratic Convention riots, combined with the disastrous war in Vietnam—ultimatly forced the pro-NAWAPA President Lyndon Johnson to resign. The project has lain dormant since then. But it is now being revived by LaRouchePAC.

tion of the nation's future. Similarly, the environmentalist movement was tolerated and made possible as an avenue for destroying the culture of technological progress, because a vacuum had been created, where earlier, there was no space for such a disgusting view of mankind to reside.

For the attentive member of the audience, who is willing to challenge his or her assumptions, this historical record of the role of environmentalist ideas in 1964 and 1965 could be one of the most alarming facts they will glean from "NAWAPA 1964."

Three Films To Watch, and Then Act

EIR: As a young person, whose entire life has been shaped by the no-growth, anti-science paradigm, do you think there is a chance to return to the outlook that characterized the FDR-JFK period?

Kirsch: The chance is not something to be left to chance, but is going to be determined by whether actions are taken by people who understand what it meant to be an American under President Kennedy, and what the pre-Truman outlook he was related to felt like, and was based on.

"NAWAPA 1964," along with the more complete documentation of a number of his full speeches which demonstrate his full understanding and action toward an economy driven by technological progress as a measurement of value—"JFK Speeches Toward a Nationwide TVA," and "Who We Fight Part: Episode II," www.larouchepac.com/node/20380 which details the Truman shift, which Kennedy was overturning—are three videos will help make this understood.

I cannot overstress the importance for all readers to take the time to watch these three films, and contribute as much as you can to LaRouchePAC, both financially, and by political action, and in so doing, continue to bring to bear this great inheritance, and to right the wrongs which have befallen our nation, due to its absence.

All illustrations are from "NAWAPA 1964."

NAWAPA 1964

Released on Thanksgiving 2011, the LPAC-TV documentary "NAWAPA 1964" is the true story of the fight for the North American Water and Power Alliance. Spanning the 1960s and early '70s, it is told through the words of Utah Senator Frank Moss. The 56-minute video, using extensive original film footage and documents, presents the astonishing mobilization for NAWAPA, which came near to being realized, until the assassination of President Kennedy, the Vietnam War, and the 1968 Jacobin reaction, killed it

... until now.

http://larouchepac.com/nawapa1964

Editorial

Peace on Earth?

This is certainly not the first Christmas season in which the world, and particularly the United States, has been faced with an existential threat to its survival by war. From our Founding Fathers, to Abraham Lincoln, to Franklin Delano Roosevelt, our leaders have had to stare that horrific threat in the face, and determine how to mobilize their fellow patriots, and act.

This is, however, the first time that the United States has faced such a danger, when it was governed by a de facto agent of the power which is threatening that very war of destruction. Under the Presidency of British puppet Barack Obama, that is the danger which we must confront, and deal with today, at the same time that we recognize that we currently stand at the threshold of the outbreak of a thermonuclear confrontation with Russia.

Where does the threat of such a confrontation come from? Certainly not from the actions of the Russian government, which adopted a war avoidance program. Rather, the likely trigger would be some kind of incident occurring in the region around Iran, which would be blamed on that country; the incident would then provoke an Israeli attack on Iran. Given the tensions and arrangements being made in that region right now, there is a real danger that such a "trigger" could occur over immediate pre-Christmas period, into the first of the New Year.

A preemptive Israeli attack, of course, would likely bring in the United States, and thus set into motion, immediately, the confrontation under which the United States potentially launches a thermonuclear attack on targets in Russia, with the Russians responding in kind.

Peace on Earth? Only the fabled peace of the grave, if this British intention is permitted to proceed.

The scenario outlined above is by no means the only potential means the British might use to accomplish their objective, of course. More importantly, we do not outline such a scenario as a "prediction" by any means. But it is an *imminent* potential, if steps are not taken to take certain levers of power out of the hands of the lunatic British genocidal empire.

Lyndon LaRouche has trumpeted his determination to prevent the British drive for World War III, and there is no question but that the British have had to take notice. In tandem with LaRouche, the U.S. military establishment, some active and many retired, have sounded the alarm about the Obama Administration's provocations toward a war in the Middle East cockpit, especially what some have identified as an ongoing covert war against Iran, aimed at provoking Iranian reactions. Russia and China have also pushed back, and are more determined than ever not to permit the "Libya scenario" to be repeated in the case of Syria.

But while the British timetable may be set back a bit, their gameplan against Eurasia, using Obama, is going ahead.

Lacking a patriotic President, and stuck with a mostly cowardly Congress, we have no alternative but to rally around the leadership being provided by LaRouche. There can be no "Christmas pause," as is being taken by the Congress and others, for those who understand that we stand at the very threshold of thermonuclear war. The age-old Christmas greeting of "peace on Earth, good will toward men" will be turned into a mockery, if we do not bend our entire efforts to ensuring that result by mobilizing with our all.

The first step toward that peace is clear: removing Obama from the Presidency in a Constitutional manner. View and read LaRouche's Dec. 11 webcast again, and join us now.

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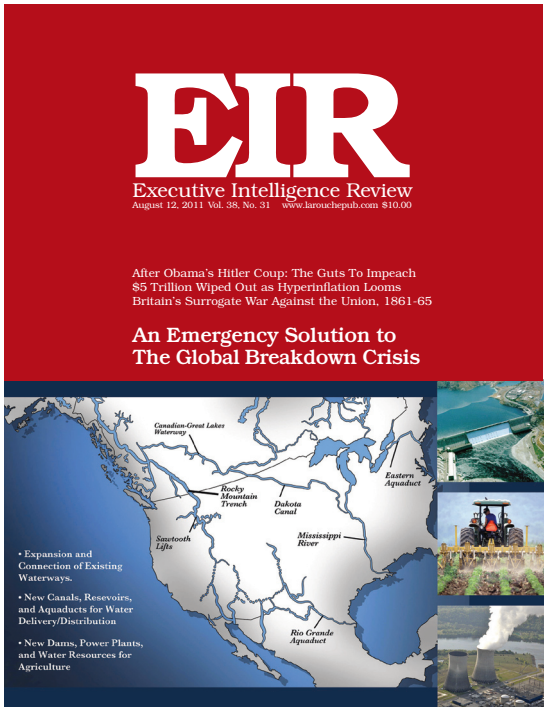

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