

Russian Media Cover LaRouche Campaigns

Feb. 7—The Copenhagen bureau of TASS, official news agency of the Russian Federation, on Feb. 3 released an interview with Schiller Institute leader Helga Zepp-LaRouche, done during her visit to Denmark for an event with diplomats on Jan. 30 (see last week's *EIR*). During the same week, a Russian news outlet in France, and Russian news services, international and domestic, published an interview with Jacques Cheminade, a French political leader who is close friend of LaRouche, and covered the Schiller Institute's demonstration in New York City against the "anti-Russian sentiments" being fueled in the U.S., outside a performance by world famous Russian conductor Valery Gergiev and opera singer Anna Netrebko.

The Russian-language wire from the Copenhagen bureau has appeared, so far, on the news site ru.euronews.com. The English translation below was done by *EIR*, using the original English text of Zepp-LaRouche's replies, from which the published form was excerpted.

'Schiller Institute Leader Helga Zepp-LaRouche Calls for Uniting the Efforts of the European Union, the United States, and the BRICS'

"COPENHAGEN, Feb. 3—Nikolai Morozov, TASS. The need for a new world economic order and new international relations is the central idea in the speeches being given by German politician Helga Zepp-LaRouche, founder and president of the Schiller Institute, during her current tour of several European capitals. In Copenhagen she addressed a workshop for diplomats,

held at the Russian Center for Science and Culture.

"Zepp-LaRouche believes that the world is now on a pathway leading to a dead end, with the threat of economic collapse and nuclear war. In order to avoid such catastrophes, the direction of world events must be changed. For this purpose, she thinks, the European Union and the United States should join the BRICS nations in building the Eurasian land-bridge initiated by Chinese President Xi Jinping—the New Silk Road. Zepp-LaRouche also suggests that Greece could now become a bridge between the West and the BRICS.

"'None of the promises given to Russia at the time of the disintegration of the Soviet Union were kept, and none of her offers for cooperation responded to,' Helga Zepp-LaRouche told TASS in an interview. 'This was because the U.S. neocons of the Bush, Sr. administration, at that moment, went for the policy of the Project for a New American Century (PNAC), which embodied the idea of the USA ruling the world as a world empire.

"'All the policies which followed, such as regime change with the help of the so-called "color revolutions," the construction of a global Ballistic Missile Defense system, and the eastward expansion of NATO and the EU up to the borders of Russia, were simply an elaboration of that strategic goal,' she said. 'At the same time, the NATO doctrine of Mutual Assured Destruction, MAD, was replaced by the conception of a first strike doctrine. This is why there is, right now, a growing chorus of eminent strategists in the West, who are



Russia's Channel 1 TV covers the Schiller Institute rally at New York City's Lincoln Center, Feb. 6, 2015.

warning of the immediate danger of a Third World War.

“‘Since the repeal of the Glass-Steagall Act in 1999, which eliminated any banking regulation,’ continued the Schiller Institute leader, ‘the world has fallen into the hands of predators, who enrich the few, at the expense and suffering of billions of human beings, with the help of a financial system that has essentially become a big casino. There is an enormous unpayable derivatives debt, which is the real cause of the war danger.’

“‘There is, right now, a big fight for the true identity of the United States,’ Zepp-LaRouche reported. She said that the fight is between the imperial faction, which wants world domination, and the forces who want to restore America as a republic, as it was intended by the founding fathers.

“‘There is also a serious fight to end the dictatorial power of Wall Street over the Congress, with the reintroduction of the Glass-Steagall law. If the USA went back to its original economic system, it could cooperate very well with the new credit institutions of the BRICS nations, such as the New Development Bank, and the AIIB (Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank),’ she told TASS. ‘Then the United States could return to the foreign policy of John Quincy Adams, ... and that is exactly the foreign policy concept of Xi Jinping, with his win-win approach of building the new Silk Road, or Narendra Modi or Vladimir Putin.’

“Zepp-LaRouche holds that ‘everything will depend on our ability to put the alternative of a new paradigm of collaboration on the agenda in time. Mankind has reached a branching point: Either we can define our common interest from the standpoint of the future, or we may not exist. That is why the Schiller Institute is presently involved in an international campaign, to convince more and more individuals and institutions, that joining hands for the common aims of mankind, is the only reasonable alternative to World War III.’

“Helga Zepp-LaRouche founded the Schiller Institute in 1984, in the context of the intermediate-range missile crisis of the early ’80s. Its main aim was to put a different conception of foreign relations on the table, and it was named after Friedrich Schiller (1759-1805) because it was the founders’ view, that a new just world economic order can only succeed, if it is accompanied by a renaissance of Classical culture.”

The New York Intervention

The Schiller Institute’s demonstration in New York City came in the wake of a number of protests against

the Russian Classical musicians, allegedly because of their support for Russian President Putin’s policy in Ukraine. The Institute issued a leaflet entitled “Are Anti-Russian Cultural Protesters the Shock Troops in an Obama/Wall Street Thermonuclear Countdown?” (See www.schillerinstitute.org)

In a press release announcing the counter-protest at Lincoln Center, a Schiller representative declared: “In this year of the 70th anniversary of the defeat of international fascism, in which the United States and the then-Soviet Union were close allies, what could now be more absurdly tragic than a deadly confrontation between the two? Our nations have never fought each other, and such a confrontation today, no matter what anyone thinks, would launch a Third World War.”

The leaflet characterized the violent February 2014 power shift in Ukraine, not as “a brokered transition,” as President Barack Obama recently termed it, but rather an illegal criminal coup against an elected head of state. “These attempts to misinform, and even intimidate audiences that have come to hear great artists perform, must be countered with the truth. The coup in Ukraine was a great injustice. We speak out against it, because as Dr. Martin Luther King stated, ‘Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere.’”

“A crazy faction of the City of London policy establishment, represented by the likes of former British prime Minister Tony Blair, believes it can fight and win nuclear war with Russia,” the leaflet pointed out. It went on to quote conductor Valery Gergiev: “I have known Mr. Putin for a long time and I was very hopeful that when he became prime minister we would not lose completely the integrity of Russia. People forget that in 1999 the question was whether Russia would survive at all. Mr. Putin had a historical role simply to save the country from collapse. That’s quite a big task. History will judge, and of course history judges already. After the collapse of the Soviet Union there was no state support for the arts, or very little, and no private sponsorship. Today there is state support and also sponsorship.”

In fact, Lyndon LaRouche has repeatedly stressed, the coup in Ukraine has brought a government full of *Nazis* to power, who are now being backed by the British oligarchy, Obama, and NATO. Until this Kiev government, which came to power with the intention of confrontation with Russia, is cleared out of those *Nazis*, there is no hope for peace.