

CRISIS IN UKRAINE

Obama Support for Nazi Coup Threatens War—Impeach Him!

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March 4—Between Feb. 28 and March 2, exactly as Lyndon LaRouche had warned, President Barack Obama and his Secretary of State John Kerry made it official: The United States has put “all options on the table” to confront Russia, in support of the new, unconstitutional Nazi government of Ukraine, thus putting the world on the edge of a thermonuclear war which could result in the extinction of the human race.

The Nazi and unconstitutional character of the new government in Kiev, is well-known internationally, as is the fact that the Obama Administration, through State Department official Vicky Nuland, had conspired openly to put the new prime minister, Arseniy “Yats” Yatsenyuk, to power. As the British oligarchy, in mouthpieces such as the *Economist*, has made crystal clear, this “regime change” operation has



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The United States has put “all options on the table,” in confronting Russia over Ukraine, President Obama blustered, thus putting the world on the brink of global war.

Russia as its target. Even Henry Kissinger, in an interview Feb. 2, warned against the West putting Russia in this position, de facto acknowledging the fact that bringing Ukraine into NATO is an explicit *casus belli* for Moscow, because it would threaten Russia’s security.

Yet, Obama, true to his character as a British stooge, has chosen to threaten Russia, claiming that Russia’s recognition of the elected President of Ukraine as still being that country’s legitimate leader, is a violation of sovereignty. By taking this stance *in defense of the new Nazi government in Ukraine*, Obama is making a mockery of his oath to the U.S. Constitution, and must be immediately impeached for cause.

As LaRouche is stressing in a series of radio ads going out in Washington, D.C., “Your life depends upon impeaching Obama now.”

The Nazi Coup

As both Ukraine's elected President Viktor Yanukovich, Ukrainian patriots such as Natalia Vitrenko, and the Russian government have emphasized, there is nothing legitimate about the new government. It was installed at the point of a gun, with the guns wielded by a collection of Nazi groups such as Svoboda and Right Sector. The terror, wielded by these groups, backed up by Western forces, is what intimidated Ukrainian parliamentarians into illegally ousting Yanukovich, forcing him to seek security in Russia.

The Nazi character of the new government can be seen in its composition. While it has the appearance of being a bunch of technocrats, like former Economics Minister Yatsenyuk, committed to imposing the IMF's austerity looting policy through the EU Association Agreement, it is riddled with outright fascists.

For example, there's the Svoboda Party, formerly the Social Nationalists, who campaign under the banner of Nazi collaborator Stepan Bandera and popularized Nazi symbols from the moment of their founding in 1991. Oleksander Sych of Svoboda is Vice Premier; two other Svoboda politicians, Ihor Shvaika and Andriy Mokhnyk, are Ministers of Agriculture and of Ecology. The new General Prosecutor is Svoboda's Oleh Makhnitsky.

Even more rabidly Hitlerite is the so-called Right Sector, the Pravy Sektor, led by Dmitri Yarosh. While there are rumors that the "street" in Ukraine is demanding Yarosh be put in the government, what is clear is that parts of his movement are already there.

Serhiy Kvit, a former member of the neo-Nazi Tryzub Bandery ("Bandera's Trident"), is Education Minister. Andriy Parubiy, the commander of the Maidan "self-defense" contingent, is head of the National Security and Defense Council. Dmytro Bulatov, a leader of the Auto-Maidan logistics operation which has numerous overlaps with Pravy Sektor, is Minister of Sports. There are more of the radical Maidan leaders in the middle level of the cabinet ministries, in the anti-corruption agency, and in the prosecutorial apparatus.

As *EIR*'s Feb. 2 fact sheet points out, these groups have been protected and supported for decades, in preparation for precisely such a takeover in Ukraine. While the details remain to be fleshed out, on Feb. 28, members of the group Anonymous Ukraine released evidence, obtained by hacking the e-mails of the Pravy Sektor and the opposition Ukrainian Democratic Alliance for Reform (of Vitali Klitschko), of support by NATO governments.

This support for the insurgency, by any sane definition, is a violation of Ukraine's sovereignty.

The Legitimate Government

On Feb. 28, the elected Ukrainian President Yanukovich held a press conference in Rostov-on-Don, Russia, where he declared that he was still the legitimate President of Ukraine, but had been forced to leave the country in order to ensure his physical safety. Indeed, one of his top aides had been shot by gangsters in the previous days, in the course of the manhunt which the Kiev mob has declared against Yanukovich.

Then, on March 1, as revealed by Russian Ambassador to the United Nations Vitali Churkin March 3, Yanukovich sent a letter to Russian President Vladimir Putin, requesting a Russian military intervention, because "under the influence of Western countries, there are open acts of terror and violence. People are being persecuted for language and political reasons. So in this regard I would call on the President of Russia, Mr. Putin, asking him to use the armed forces of the Russian Federation to establish legitimacy, peace, law and order, stability and defending the people of Ukraine."

Indeed, on March 1, Putin had issued a formal request to the Russian Federation Council, to authorize his use of troops to protect the safety of Russian citizens and maintain order in Ukraine, should that become necessary. The approval was granted with a voice vote.

Subsequently, the Russian military, already present in Crimea, home of the Russian Black Sea Fleet, took a higher profile, especially in guarding and protecting government buildings and military installations. This action was applauded by the new government of the Autonomous Region of Crimea, which was elected Feb. 27, on the crest of public sentiment against the blatantly anti-Russian measures being voted up by the parliament in Kiev.

At this point, NATO and Western governments sprang into action, accusing Russia of "invading" Ukraine, and beginning a series of threats of economic sanctions and other "costs," which have escalated tensions to the boiling point.

Russians Respond

The Russian Ministry of Foreign Affairs issued the following statement March 3 as regards the statements made by Secretary of State Kerry on the situation in Ukraine [as translated by *EIR*]:

"We consider the threats against Russia, made in a

series of public statements by Secretary of State J. Kerry in connection with the latest events in Ukraine and Crimea, to be unacceptable. Without bothering to study and comprehend the complex processes taking place in Ukrainian society and make an objective evaluation of the situation, which continues to deteriorate after the forcible seizure of power in Kiev by radical extremists, the Secretary of State is using Cold War clichés, proposing to ‘punish’ the Russian Federation rather than those who organized the coup d’état.

“At the same time, nothing is said about the fact that it was the U.S.A. and its allies, who closed their eyes to the rampages of the Maidan guerrillas, their abuses against their political opponents and ordinary citizens, their militant Russophobia and anti-Semitism, and their desecration of the memory of the heroes of the Great Patriotic War. Washington has likewise ignored the fact that the newly emerged Kiev regime has flouted the Feb. 21 agreement, to which the foreign ministers of Germany, France, and Poland had affixed their signatures, and has formed a ‘government of the victors,’ in effect, declaring war on the Russian language and everything associated with Russia. Now the West has overt neo-Nazis, who have smashed up Orthodox churches and synagogues, as its allies.

“Russia’s position has been and remains consistent and open. While for some Western politicians Ukraine is merely a geopolitical playing field, for us this is a fraternal nation, with which we are bound together by our centuries-long common history.

“Russia is interested in a stable and strong Ukraine, where the legitimate rights and interests of Ukrainians, of our compatriots, and of all citizens are ensured. In the extraordinary situation that has come about, through no fault of ours, when the life and safety of the residents of Crimea and the southeast regions are under a real threat because of the irresponsible and provocative actions of the followers of Bandera and other ultranationalist elements, the measures we are taking are appropriate and absolutely legal. We advocate the speediest possible return of the situation in Ukraine to normalcy, based on the Feb. 21 agreement, including the formation of a legitimate government of national unity, taking into account the interests of all political forces and regions of the country.”

The War Dynamic

The current government in Washington, and the British monarchy, have no intention whatsoever of lis-

tening to Russia’s rational approach to this crisis. They are hell-bent on crushing Russia, in order to try to save their bankrupt financial empire. And they are apparently willing to go to thermonuclear war to try to do so.

The murderous frame of mind of Obama’s British controllers, who *know* they are backing Nazis in Kiev, is writ large in top British publications such as the *Economist*, which concluded its inflammatory coverage of Ukraine in its Feb. 22-28 edition, with the following statement: “It is time for the West to stand up to this gangsterism. Confronting a country that has the spoiling power of a seat on the UN Security Council, huge hydrocarbon reserves and lots of nuclear weapons is difficult, but it has to be done.” In the following issue, they challenged Obama to show he’s not a wimp and follow through.

NATO is also meeting continually to address the issue, *despite* the fact that Ukraine is not, contrary to the desire of that organization, a member of NATO. You wouldn’t know it from the rhetoric coming out of the likes of Secretary General Fogh Rasmussen, who invited Ukraine to participate in the Feb. 27-28 meeting, and declared it to be at the heart of the alliance.

There is some hesitation from European heads of state, especially Germany, on taking this course. Chancellor Merkel has obtained the agreement of President Putin to join a “contact group” which would work on a diplomatic solution to the crisis.

Yet, at the same time, the Obama Department of Defense announced March 3 that it was suspending military engagements with Russia over Russia’s alleged military movements in Ukraine. “Although the Department of Defense finds value in the military-to-military relationship with the Russian Federation we have developed over the past few years to increase transparency, build understanding, and reduce the risk of military miscalculation, we have, in light of recent events in Ukraine, put on hold all military-to-military engagements between the United States and Russia,” read the statement released by Pentagon press secretary R. Adm. John Kirby. “This includes exercises, bilateral meetings, port visits and planning conferences.

The thermonuclear confrontation LaRouche has warned of, and that so many political leaders have denied, is right on our doorstep. But, with the U.S. Presidency under British imperial control, it won’t work.

So—Obama has to be removed from office, constitutionally, now.