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From the Managing Editor

We are at one of those delicate turning points in history right now, at which the world could undergo a positive strategic shift of historic proportions—provided that certain people muster up the courage to do what has to be done. The Kennebunkport “Lobster Summit” created a potential which was nowhere reported in the U.S. or European press. Due to the work of an “advance team” of former Presidents George H. W. Bush and Bill Clinton, the Maine meeting between George W. Bush and Russian President Putin occurred—in a relaxed setting, *without Dick Cheney*, and with the senior Bush as host. The result was a new Russian proposal to share ABM and radar technologies, potentially taking this area of U.S.-Russian confrontation off the agenda; a signed agreement on the development of nuclear energy; and the possibility of cooperation in other domains.

That’s all provided that George W. remains under “adult supervision,” and that Dick Cheney is removed from office, quickly. The fragility of the shift that has occurred was immediately demonstrated when Bush returned to Washington, defended his indefensible Iraq policy; blamed Iran, Syria, Hezbollah, and al-Qaeda for the fact that his “surge” policy is not succeeding; and built up Cheney’s momentum for a new war.

Our *Feature* provides rich documentation of the history leading up to the Kennebunkport summit, including quotes from Lyndon LaRouche’s February 1982 call for U.S.-Soviet cooperation in what became known as the Strategic Defense Initiative.

LaRouche will develop these themes in a webcast on July 25 at 1:00 p.m. EDT, on “The End of the Post-FDR Era” (www.larouchepac.com).

To propel forward the kinds of global changes that are needed, EIR’s editors announce a subtle change in editorial policy: We are not a U.S. magazine for the world, but rather an international publication, based in the United States. We shall cover breaking developments from a global and historical perspective, not a local one.

And of course, we shall continue our emphasis on the exciting work of the LaRouche Youth Movement and its “Basement Team,” which is currently researching the contributions of Carl F. Gauss. See the *Science* section in this issue for the latest report.

