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From the Managing Editor

On April 11, Lyndon LaRouche delivered an urgent challenge to the institution of the Presidency, in his webcast titled, “President Obama’s ‘Narcissus Syndrome’”: “President Obama is presently in the grip of a thoroughly evil cabal. . . . If this nation, and civilization generally, is to survive, the presently accelerating global breakdown crisis must be brought under control . . . and the policy of the Presidency returned to the council of that set of leading cabinet and related officials, whom the citizenry have a right to expect to be responsible, and also fully sane advisors of that Presidency, as an institution. . . .”

Since that warning, the LaRouche Political Action Committee has undertaken a sustained and intense campaign to expose and defeat the cabal of Nazi policy-makers, and their plans to carry out mass murder against Americans through Hitler-like cuts in health care, and next, Social Security. As a result, Obama himself is reported to be obsessed with the fact that LaRouche is “out to get him.” And in fact, the wheels are falling off the Obama juggernaut for health-care “reform,” as even its former cheerleaders are advising him to retreat. On top of that, Obama’s break with the FDR legacy is stirring up a revolt among leading Democrats (see *Battle Over Health Care*).

As these promising developments were unfolding in the U.S., LaRouche was back in Rome, Italy, where he addressed the Finance Committees of the Senate and Chamber of Deputies, and held private meetings, on the remedy to the collapse of the international financial system (*Feature*).

We also have exclusive coverage by EIR correspondent Hussein Askary on the still-breaking developments in Iran, following the Presidential election there. Most notable is the identification, by Supreme Leader Khamenei and Foreign Minister Mottaki, of the British role in fomenting violence and destabilization, following the disputed election results (*International*).

Must reading is our update on the flu pandemic: The WHO has finally declared the highest alert level, Phase 6, as the new pattern of its spread demands we respond with an urgent upgrading of health infrastructure worldwide (*Economics*).

Finally, LaRouche will present a webcast, from Washington, on June 27, at 12:30 p.m. Eastern time (www.larouchepac.com).



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The Revolt Begins Against Obama's Fascist Agenda

by Jeffrey Steinberg

June 22—A coast-to-coast revolt, led by leading California and New York Democrats, has begun, against President Barack Obama's plans to dismantle what remains of President Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal system of protection of the general welfare of America's "forgotten majority." With unemployment skyrocketing all across the country, at rates approaching those of the Great Depression, President Obama's so-called stimulus package has done nothing to reverse that trend, and his much-publicized plans to "reform" Medicare and Social Security are turning out to be nothing more than a replay of Hitler's policies of euthanasia against the elderly, the sick, and other highly vulnerable segments of the American population (see *Documentation*).

As the result of Lyndon LaRouche's bold intervention, daring to publicly draw the parallels between the Obama health-care "reform" plan and Hitler's Tiergarten-4 (T-4) euthanasia program of 1939-41, some leading Democratic Party circles have begun to wake up to the dangers of what the White House is peddling, and are now, for the first time, pushing back against the drive for the elimination of what Hitler himself called "lives not worthy to be lived."

Sources within the leadership of the Democratic Party have confirmed to *EIR* that several recent White House actions catalyzed the break with the President and his top policy advisors.

First, the President outright rejected pleas from Cal-

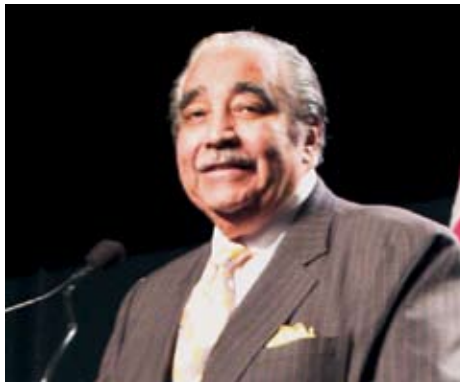
ifornia Democratic Party leaders, that action be taken by the Federal government, to avoid a bankruptcy default by the state, when the fiscal year ends on June 30. Instead of providing loan guarantees and other assistance—small change compared to the \$8 trillion bailout of Wall Street—the President, according to the sources, first demanded murderous cuts, in effect backing Republican Gov. Arnold "Terminator" Schwarzenegger against his own party. Similar White House behind-the-scenes scheming is reportedly going on with New York City's corporatist Mayor Michael Bloomberg.

One senior member of the California Congressional delegation candidly acknowledged that, eventually, the White House will take some action, because "California is too big to fail," but the team of behavioral economist austerity freaks, led by Office of Management and Budget director Peter Orszag, want to force California to first slash vital social safety net programs, including welfare assistance to 1.6 million desperately poor Californians, equally drastic cuts in Medicaid, and wholesale firing of police, fire, and school personnel.

The White House intends to use California as the example for the entire country, and leading Democrats from California and New York have concluded that the President's health-care schemes will further slash funding for medical care in the biggest, most heavily populated states. Thus, on June 21, Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-Calif.) declared on national television, that she will not support the President's health-care reform bill, be-



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A revolt among leading Democrats, led by California and New York, has erupted against the Obama Administration's schemes to deconstruct the remnants of the general welfare legacy of President Franklin Roosevelt. Clockwise from top left: Rep. George Miller (Calif.); and Rep. Charles Rangel (N.Y.); Sen. Dianne Feinstein (Calif.); and Rep. Henry Waxman (Calif.).

cause it will slash \$6 billion from California's health-care system, and will gut other large states.

Earlier, three leading House Democrats from the two states—Rep. Charles Rangel (N.Y.), Rep. George Miller (Calif.) and Rep. Henry Waxman (Calif.) introduced a health-care reform bill that called for *increases* in Medicare payments, and rejected some other key components of the White House plan. Their bill, which will be the subject of three separate Congressional hearings this week, was drafted after the three House leaders were brought to the White House by Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi (Calif.), to be haranged by President Obama, Orszag, and White House Chief of Staff Rahm Emanuel, on the need to slash health-care expenditures to “save” Medicare and Medicaid, and extend insurance coverage to the uninsured.

The swindle of the White House plan was made transparently obvious, when the President issued a diktat: There will be no consideration of any “single-payer” reform, and no attempt to crack down on the insurance companies and HMOs, with their 30% over-

head costs. All the cuts will come from health-care services—including Federal aid to hospitals, which now covers the costs of treating the uninsured.

One senior U.S. intelligence official told *EIR*: “The Obama White House has totally caved in to the insurance companies and the HMOs.”

Social Security Is Next

The second development that crossed the line with a growing number of leading Democrats was the June 18 op-ed by Peter Orszag in the London *Financial Times*, in which he candidly declared that, once the health-care “reform” has been passed, the next target will be Social Security. While the White House has acknowledged that, with the crash of the stock market, all schemes for

privatization of Social Security are off the table, instead, the White House planners are pressing Democratic Party economists to back a massive increase in taxes on Social Security—for the lower 95% of income brackets!

The backlash against the Obama health-care reform schemes, and, now, the planned trashing of Social Security—a backlash catalyzed by the LaRouche Political Action Committee's mobilization, via a relentless campaign of video exposés on the LPAC website, and the release of an initial 200,000-run pamphlet, caused such consternation at the White House, according to sources close to the Presidency, that a decision was made several weeks ago, that the President himself would have to go out and sell the plan.

Beginning on June 11, with his town hall speech in Green Bay, Wisc., the President has been on a berserker one-man sales campaign, to convince the American people and Congress to buy into the euthanasia schemes. While it is true that Orszag, chief White House economic advisor Larry Summers, and Rahm Emanuel, on



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The backlash against Obama's Nazi health-care "reform" was catalyzed by the LaRouche Political Action Committee's nationwide mobilization. Shown: LPAC organizers in Philadelphia, June 10.

their own, could never defeat the LaRouche-led opposition to the killer health-care cuts, the President has not exactly turned the tide, with his personal touch.

Things got so bad that former Sen. Tom Daschle (D-S.D.), an architect of the Obama Presidential campaign, and a leading advocate of the creation of a national health-care board to impose mandatory cuts in services, went to the President last week, and urged him to back down from his drive to pass the health-care reforms by Oct. 1. Daschle, a former Senate Majority Leader turned K Street lobbyist, seeing a looming disaster, argued that a delay in the campaign to ram through health-care cuts, would be far better than an outright strategic defeat. But the President, according to sources in the White House, would hear nothing of it. Instead, he scheduled a high-profile June 24 nationwide TV interview to push for the health-care agenda, offering ABC-TV all-day access to the White House, in a final effort to sell the killer scheme.

Why the desperate rush? One senior Congressional staffer laughed, when told that Rahm Emanuel has informed Congressional leaders that the President wants to sign the health care bill into law on Oct. 1. "Oct. 1 is the start of the flu season," the person said, "and everyone is scared to death that we are going to be hit with a killer pandemic of swine flu. Any chance of passing cuts in health-care delivery, once the pandemic strikes,

will be gone." Of course, the swine flu pandemic is not going to wait for the October flu season. Already, the spread of the flu is out of control in parts of the world, and that includes parts of the United States.

Indeed, the Obama health-care "reform" plan, while gutting everything that President Franklin D. Roosevelt stood for, is totally in line with Britain's Prince Philip and Prince Charles, who preach Malthusian genocide, and would welcome a biological holocaust that would wipe out 80% of the human race.

The late Lord Bertrand Russell infamously wrote in the 1950s that he would welcome a "Black Death" once every generation, to radically reduce population—particularly the darker-skinned races.

Barack 'Hoover' Obama

The revolt against Obama has spread beyond Congress and the Democratic Party apparatus with breathtaking speed. The July 2009 issue of the 150-year-old liberal magazine *Harper's*, has a cover-story, "Barack Hoover Obama: The Best and the Brightest Blow It Again." The author draws a compelling parallel between Presidents Herbert Hoover and Barack Obama, contrasting both to FDR, who went to war with Wall Street, to save America from the depths of the Great Depression.

"Much like Herbert Hoover," author Kevin Baker wrote, "Barack Obama is a man attempting to realize a stirring new vision of his society without cutting himself free from the dogmas of the past—without accepting the inevitable conflict. Like Hoover, he is bound to fail. . . ."

"Still worse is Obama's decision to leave the reordering of the financial world solely to Larry Summers and Timothy Geithner, both of whom played such a major role in deregulating Wall Street and bringing on the disaster in the first place. It's as if, after winning election in 1932, FDR had brought Andrew Mellon back to the Treasury. Just as Herbert Hoover could not, in the end, break away from the best economic advice of the 1920s, Barack Obama is sticking with the 'key men' of the 1990s."

And the latest poll data from Gallup and other agencies shows that, while the President still enjoys a better-than-60% approval rating, when asked about the Obama Administration's economic policies, people gave thumbs down—with under 30% supporting his handling of the bank bailout. That kind of gap spells disaster, especially for a President who lives and breathes by his belief that he can do no wrong.

'Hitler' versus 'FDR': The Battle Around Obama's Health-Care Policy

Throughout the course of his Presidential campaign, Barack Obama put a major emphasis on "health-care reform" as a centerpiece of his Administration. But it wasn't until approximately one month into his Presidency, that the outlines of this monstrosity, which had been presented as a way to get coverage for all Americans, began to become clear. We here outline, in summary form, the initiatives taken by the President, and his advisors, for the Nazi health-care reform, and the counter-offensive led by LaRouche PAC, which has put the President's plan in danger of its well-deserved death. (Note: Significant turning points appear in boldface type.)

February

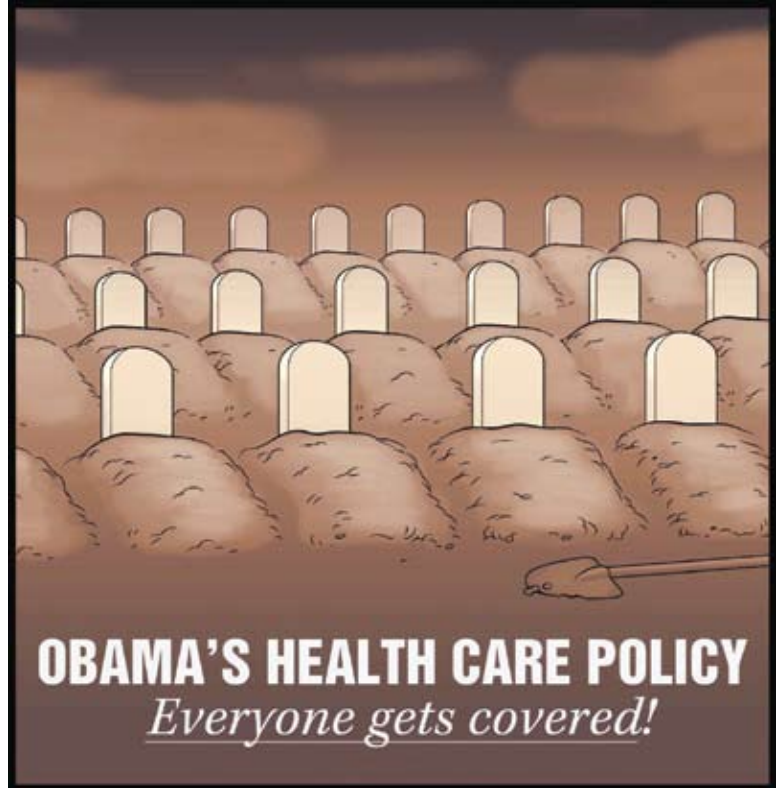
Feb. 17: Obama's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act is passed, including within it the establishment of the Federal Coordinating Council on Comparative Effectiveness Research (FCCCER)—a foot in the door for imposing drastic cuts in medical care for those presumed to have lives "not worthy to be lived."

Feb. 23: Obama convenes a Fiscal Responsibility Summit, which features Office of Management and Budget chief Peter Orszag, who emphasizes that "health-care reform is entitlement reform," and that cuts in health-care spending are a key focus of his efforts.

Feb. 26: Obama releases his budget for fiscal 2010, which includes a preview of his health-care reform plan. The plan is presented as providing health care to all, while cutting costs, through e-records, combined with a new system of "effective treatment options" to be imposed on physicians. \$300 billion in Medicare/Medicaid cuts are explicitly called for.

In his explanation, Orszag emphasizes the need to cut \$700 billion in health-care costs, by eliminating "unnecessary" procedures.

Feb. 25-27: Prince Charles's Center for Integrative



Chance McGee, LaRouche Youth Movement

Medicine holds an event at the National Academy of Sciences in Washington, which brings together 600 people to be brainwashed on changing the health-care system from treatment, to "transformation."

March

March 5: Obama convenes a Health Care Summit in the White House, at which proposals for getting rid of predatory Health Maintenance Organizations (HMOs), as demanded by the "single-payer" movement, are off the table, and cooperation with the "industry" is given top priority.

March 6: Obama holds a summit with Physicians on "health-care reform."

March 10: Orszag testifies for cuts in medical care, including as follows:

"Given the central role of medical technology in the

growth of health-care spending, reducing or slowing that spending over the long term will probably require decreasing the pace of adopting new treatments and procedures or limiting the breadth of their application. Such changes need not involve explicit rationing, but could occur as a result of market mechanisms or policy changes that affect the incentives to develop and adopt more costly treatments.” In other words, rationing.

March 19: The Federal Coordinating Council on Comparative Effectiveness research is established. It has 15 members, many of them medical professionals, and it includes the advisor to OMB chief Orszag on health care, Dr. Ezekiel Emanuel.

April

April 2: Obama is in London for the G20 summit, rubbing noses, or backs, with the Queen and her genocidal consort Prince Philip, who explicitly calls for massive population reduction globally.

April 6: *Time* magazine releases its April 12 edition, which features an exposé of the “behavioral economists” controlling President Obama, centered around Orszag.

April 8: Obama issues an Executive Order establishing the White House Office of Health Care Reform.

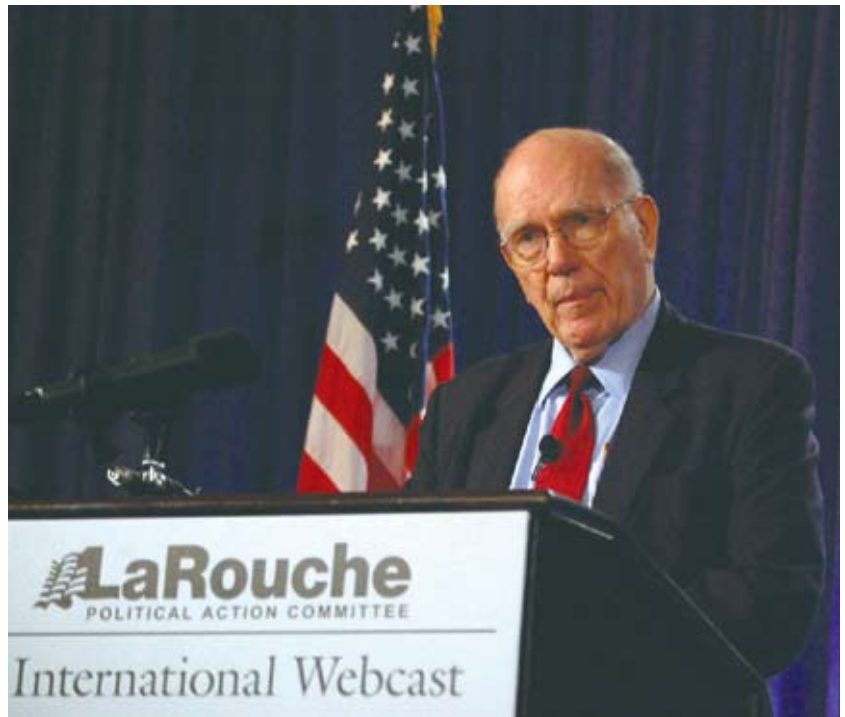
April 11: Lyndon LaRouche gives an international webcast identifying the Narcissus/Nero syndrome of the President, and the control of his economic policy by Nazi-like “behavioral economists” such as Orszag, Larry Summers, and others.

April 28: LaRouche gives another international webcast, “The Other Shoe Will Now Drop,” which includes a major focus on mobilizing against the Nazi-like health-care reform.

Sen. Max Baucus (D-Mont.) holds one of several closed door sessions with his finance committee, to try to hammer out health-care legislation.

May

May 1: Sir Michael Rawlins, M.D., chairman of the British National Institute for Health and Clinical Excel-



Lyndon LaRouche, at his historic April 11 webcast, in which he identified the Narcissus/Nero syndrome of the President, and the control of his economic policy by Nazi-like “behavioral economists.”

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lence (NICE), the de facto czar over health cuts, addresses a Healthcare Reform Summit, aimed at policymakers, the media, and professionals, over the Health Channel. NICE is the model for Nazi-style cost-cutting in the U.S. today.

May 3: Obama reveals his personal adherence to the Nazi cost-cutting ethic in an interview published in the *New York Times* Sunday magazine, where he says he’s not sure that old, sick people, like his grandmother on Medicare, should be able to get medical care like hip replacements.

May 4: Baucus holds a conference call briefing for the press, in which he lays out a “fast-track” perspective for ramming through the health-care bill.

May 5: Baucus and Republican cohort Sen. Charles Grassley (Iowa) hold an open Roundtable, where “experts” talk about cutting health care through various measures.

May 7: Obama speaks on the budget plan, emphasizing his plans for cutting the deficit, including \$300 billion in Medicare and Medicaid.

May 9: LaRouche issues a call for mobilization to defeat Obama’s Nazi health-care plan, as an “existential question” for the United States. “Anything in the

direction of these budget-cutting proposals, which measure human lives in dollars and cents, and declare whole sections of the old and the sick to be ‘useless eaters,’ is a violation of human rights.”

May 11: Obama addresses so-called stakeholders in the health-care sector—insurance companies, hospitals, unionists, etc.—in a meeting convened by Service Employees International Union (SEIU) health-care chair Dennis Rivera, and proudly announces that they have agreed to cut \$2 trillion from health care over the next 10 years.

May 12: Baucus holds his last public roundtable on health care.

On the same day, the Trustees of Medicare and Social Security issue a widely ballyhooed but fraudulent report claiming that both programs are increasing at “unsustainable” rates, and therefore must be cut.

May 13: Treasury Secretary Tim Geithner comments on the Medicare and Social Security Trustees’ report, saying “The President explicitly rejects the notion that Social Security is untouchable,” in context of the need for cuts.

May 14: Baucus and other legislators hold a closed-door session on health care. At this time, it is leaked that Obama and the Democratic leaders have set a timetable for ramming through a bill by July 31, so that “reconciliation” can go on over the August recess, and the President can sign a bill on Oct. 1.

May 15: Orszag pens an op-ed in the *Wall Street Journal*, promoting his plans to bring health-care costs down through use of “comparative effectiveness research” and the fraudulent claims of the “Dartmouth Atlas of Health Care.”

May 17: Orszag appears on CNN’s Sunday morning program, pushing for health-care cuts, and making explicit that Social Security is next on the chopping block.

May 18: LaRouche issues an LPAC statement which goes out as a mass leaflet, entitled, “Dragging Their Feet for Hitler,” nailing the so-called health-care reform as Nazi medicine.

May 20: Baucus holds another closed-door session of his Senate Finance Committee on health care.



On May 4, Sen. Max Baucus (D-Mont.), Obama’s Senate point man on health-care “reform,” outlines his “fast-track” perspective for ramming through the health-care bill, on a media conference call.

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Sen. Jay Rockefeller (D-W.V.) introduces S.1110, which calls for establishing the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission (MedPAC) as an independent, Federal Reserve-type entity which can dictate what will be paid for in health care, and what won’t.

May 22: The *Financial Times*, City of London mouthpiece, publishes an interview with Orszag on his health-care-cutting plans.

Meanwhile, the Bill Moyers show features a critique of the idea that it is doctors and treatment which have driven up health costs, and focusses instead on the administrative costs of the HMOs.

May 23: Obama sends out mass e-mail calling for house meetings June 6 to mobilize for his plan, which begins with cutting costs, starting with Medicare and Medicaid.

May 24: LaRouche issues a statement, entitled “Obama’s Pound of Flesh: Act Now!” challenging U.S. citizens to take the necessary action to get Obama to dump his health-care program, and the advisors, such as Orszag and Summers, who have encouraged him in it.

May 27: The American Benefits Council meets in Washington, featuring behavioral economists talking about how to “transform” health care with cuts.

Simon Stevens, who worked at 10 Downing Street



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Sen. Jay Rockefeller (D-W.V.) introduced a bill on May 20, to establish MedPAC, as a Federal Reserve-type body, to dictate what medical treatments will, or won't be paid.

as Tony Blair's Health Policy Director from 1997 to 2004, announces his plan for "saving" the U.S. government \$540 billion in health-care costs over the next decade, by applying brutal cost-cutting measures to the Medicare program. Stevens ran the murderous British NICE, and now heads United HealthCare, one of the largest U.S. HMOs.

May 28: Obama holds a conference call on health care hosted by the Democratic National Committee, in which he says, "We've got to get it done this year."

June

June 2: The Administration sends out Council on Economics Advisors (CEA) Chairman Christina Romer, Orszag, Obama's health reform czar Nancy-Ann DeParle, and chief economic advisor Larry Summers, to present a CEA report on the economic impact of the health-care "reform" at a press conference. They were joined by Baucus, and all pushed for cuts. After being challenged by *EIR* at this event, the White House decided to virtually suppress the contents. (See following article.)

Romer appears later in the day at the National Press Club, to push the plan, as do former HHS Secretary Mike Leavitt and would-have-been Obama health czar (and mentor) Tom Daschle. All are confronted publicly

by *EIR* representatives on the Nazi content of the plan.

Obama meets with 20 Senators to push his plan, and sends a letter to the Congress, in which he commits himself to seeking \$200-300 billion more in Medicare and Medicaid cuts than are in the draft budget.

June 3: DeParle appears at a CQ Healthbeat conference to push the plan, during which she indicates that Obama supports Rockefeller's MedPAC proposal. The "stakeholders" begin to issue their proposed cuts in health care, including reducing the so-called "over-use" of diagnostic imaging, back treatment, and Caesarean births.

Meanwhile, Geithner is telling China that the U.S. will strengthen the dollar by cutting health-care costs.

June 5: LaRouche PAC publishes the full transcript of the June 2 "secret" press briefing, including the challenge

to Orszag and his response (see below).

June 6: Obama devotes his Saturday radio address to demanding passage of his health-care bill. It doubles as the message to the house meetings which had been called.

June 8-10: LaRouche PAC issues 200,000 copies of its pamphlet "Act Now To Stop Obama's Nazi Health Care Plan."

June 9: House Speaker Nancy Pelosi brings committee chairmen Henry Waxman (D-Calif.), George Miller (D-Calif.), and Charles Rangel (D-N.Y.) into a meeting with Obama.

Meanwhile, a major event at the Brookings Institution, featuring Orszag, Baucus, and "experts," pushes comparative effectiveness research. What it comes down to, is cutting Medicare and Medicaid, and keeping the plan "deficit neutral."

On the same day, the British NICE sponsors a closed-door event at the Columbus Club in Washington, to discuss health-care reform in the British-Nazi image, under the sponsorship of the Commonwealth Club.

June 10: The Federal Coordinating Council on Comparative Effectiveness Research holds its final, mandated public meeting, in Washington, D.C., where its members, especially Dr. Ezekiel Emanuel, are confronted

with the Nazi character of their activity by *EIR*'s Anton Chaitkin. Video is made available on the Council website, for broad distribution.

There is an increase in coverage in publications such as *U.S. News & World Report* on the murderous nature of specific Obama proposals, such as reducing hospital re-admissions.

June 11: Obama is convinced to go on the stump for his plan, appearing at a town meeting in Green Bay, Wisc., where he praises Green Bay for lower per-capita health-care costs, and pushes cuts in Medicare and Medicaid.

Infighting begins among members of Congress, pitting small states with smaller per-capita costs, against states such as Florida, Texas, New York, and California, with higher per-capita costs.

June 12: Obama goes on the radio to promote, in the boldest fashion yet, his proposed cuts, which include an *additional* \$300 billion in cuts to Medicare and Medicaid, bringing the total to \$950 billion. The White House broke down the latest cuts into four categories:

- \$110 billion in across-the-board “productivity adjustments” to Medicare payment increases;
- \$106 billion cuts in Federal subsidies to hospitals. These so-called disproportionate share, or DSH payments typically go to institutions that treat a disproportionately large percentage of low-income patients, or to teaching hospitals that tend to see more complex cases;
- \$75 billion in unspecified cuts to Medicare prescription drug payments;
- \$22 billion by cutting payment rates for imaging services, skilled nursing and inpatient rehabilitation facilities, and long-term care hospitals.

June 14: U.S. media begin to reflect unrest about the size of the Obama cuts, especially for hospitals in inner cities. The head of the National Hospital Association says, “Payment cuts are not reforms.”

June 15: Obama takes his case for cuts to the American Medical Association convention in Chicago, where he emphasizes the need to cut “unnecessary” care like that which allegedly drives up per-capita costs in McAllen, Texas.

MedPAC releases a 300-page report outlining its proposals for cutbacks in Medicare and Medicaid, at an event in Washington, D.C. They are confronted by



White House/Chuck Kennedy
President Obama goes out on the stump to promote his killer cuts in health care, at a town meeting in Green Bay, Wisc., June 11.

EIR's Chaitkin, who tells them to prepare for a Nuremberg trial, like that which faced the Nazi doctors.

That evening, the doctors at the Renaissance Hospital in McAllen, Texas announce that they had sent a letter to the White House, challenging Obama's characterization of their “overspending,” and challenging him to come see for himself.

June 16: Orszag, once again, receives encouragement from the London *Financial Times*, which publishes his op-ed on health “reform's” fiscal benefits, in which he declares: “This is not the end of our commitment to fiscal responsibility. Once healthcare reform is in place, the US can then focus on other aspects of fiscal sustainability, including Social Security reform.”

California Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D) declares that she can't vote for a health-care proposal which would take away vital health-care dollars from her state, and other large states, to redistribute to others.

June 17: Baucus announces that he is forced to delay presentation of his plan, which will probably, he says, make it impossible to reach his target date of passage before August.

Confessions from the Obama Administration

Lyndon LaRouche and his political action committee, LaRouche PAC, have accused the Obama Administration of adopting the very same approach toward human life as the Hitler regime. While much of the language used by Obama and his leading Nazi-health collaborators, Peter Orszag and Ezekiel Emanuel, is sanitized jargon, the intent is clearly visible to anyone willing to see the truth: They consider money spent on those who aren't going to rapidly recover, "ineffective," and most of those are the old and chronically ill, groups that were also targetted by the Nazi T4 program.

The following quotes can serve as their confessions:

President Barack Obama

American Medical Association, Chicago, June 16:

“What accounts for the bulk of our costs is the nature of our health-care delivery system itself—a system where we spend vast amounts of money on things that aren't necessarily making our people any healthier; a system that automatically equates more expensive care with better care....

“So replicating best practices, incentivizing excellence, closing cost disparities—any legislation sent to my desk that does not do these, does not achieve these goals in my mind, does not earn the title of reform.

“That's why I'm open to expanding the role of a commission created by a Republican Congress called the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, which happens to include a number of physicians on the commission. In recent years, this commission proposed roughly \$200 billion in savings that never made it into law. These recommendations have now been incorporated into our broader reform agenda, but we need to



White House videograb

fast-track their proposal, the commission's proposal, in the future so that we don't miss another opportunity to save billions of dollars, as we gain more information about what works and what doesn't work in our health-care system.

“Health-care reform must be, and will be, deficit-neutral in the next decade.

“We're also going to have to make spending cuts, in part by examining inefficiencies in our current Medicare program....

“We need to use Medicare reimbursements to reduce preventable hospital readmissions. Right now, almost 20 percent of Medicare patients discharged from hospitals are readmitted within a month, often because they're not getting the comprehensive care that they need. This puts people at risk: it drives up cost. By changing how Medicare reimburses hospitals, we can discourage them from acting in a way that boosts profits but drives up costs for everyone else. That will save us \$25 billion over the next decade.

“I've also proposed saving another \$313 billion in Medicare and Medicaid spending in several other ways. One way is by adjusting Medicare payments to reflect new advances and productivity gains in our economy. Right now, Medicare payments are rising each year by more than they should. These adjustments will create incentives for providers to deliver care more efficiently, and save us roughly \$109 billion in the process.”

Peter Orszag

Council of Economic Advisors, Washington, D.C., June 2:

Challenged by **EIR's Paul Gallagher:**

“You've said 'cuts' and 'savings' innumerable times. You've even said that as much as a third of the total spending on health is essentially wasted and cuttable, but you're not



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talking about cutting. You're leaving the HMOs in charge of the process, which are the source of the great volume of overhead and waste in the system. So, how do you deny that you're talking about rationing care, you're talking about denying care the way the British health system does with the NICE [National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence] organization, you're talking about, in effect, defining lives that are 'unworthy to be lived,' because the procedures that they need are not cost effective? Why not get rid of the HMOs?"

Orszag: "The President has said that we have a system that is based in part on private insurance through employers, and we are going to retain that.

"But let me go directly to the heart of your question, because no one here is talking about rationing. What we are talking about, and I'm going to come back again: Look at the source of that—most of that 30% or so in potential efficiency gained in the health-care system, are from unnecessary procedures, unnecessary days in the hospital, unnecessary applications of technology, and what have you. I'm going to again refer you both to the evidence from the Dartmouth Atlas, and from, on a micro basis, stories like the one Atul Gawande told [in the *New Yorker*]. We have very dramatic variations in the way health care is practiced across the United States, in which the more efficient providers do not seem to generate worse outcomes than the less efficient providers. In other words, cost and quality don't go in the normal correlation.

"And to get directly to your point, we are not talking about eliminating tests and procedures that are helping people. We are talking about not knowing, and often doing things that actually don't help people, paying for them—we have a payment system that facilitates more of such procedures and tests. And frankly we're then also, even apart from the financial impact, who wants to be exposed to unnecessary days in the hospital and unnecessary procedures—because those do pose health threats—which is one hypothesis for why the correlation actually goes in the opposite direction.

"So, I guess I would put back to you, that after spending years and years at the Institute of Medicine and the Congressional Budget Office and other analyses, and looking at the evidence on this dramatic variation within the United States—we're not talking about other countries—within the United States,

that there do appear these very significant efficiency improvements within the health system, so that we could have either the same or better outcomes at lower cost in the future, and that is what we're talking about."

Dr. Ezekiel Emanuel

From "5 Myths About Our Ailing Health-Care System," Washington Post, Nov. 23, 2008:

"... administrative waste isn't what's driving health-care costs up faster than inflation. Most of the relentless rise can be attributed to the expansion of hospitals and other health-care sectors and the rapid adoption of expensive new technologies new drugs, devices, tests and procedures. [!] Unfortunately, only a fraction of all that new stuff offers dramatically better outcomes. If we're worried about costs, we have to ask whether a \$55,000 drug that prolongs the lives of lung cancer patients for an average of a few weeks is really worth it. Unless we find a cure for our addiction to the new but not necessarily improved, our national medical bill will continue to skyrocket, regardless of how efficient insurance companies become."



National Institutes of Health

From Health Care Guaranteed: A Simple, Secure Solution for America (Perseus Books, 2008):

"There will be a National Health Board with twelve Regional Boards to oversee and monitor the system. The Boards will regularly review the standard benefits covered, monitor the health plans, and oversee other workings of the system" (p. 10).

"Independent Oversight: Modeled on the Federal Reserve System, a National Health Board and twelve Regional Health Boards will be created to oversee the healthcare system. Supported by dedicated funding, the Boards will be independent of annual congressional appropriations and insulated from political and special-interest lobbying" (p. 83).

LAROCHE TO ITALIAN LEGISLATORS

Protect the Sovereignty Of the Nation-State

by Claudio Celani

Lyndon LaRouche and Helga Zepp-LaRouche paid a visit to Rome, on June 17-18, for political meetings and discussions. LaRouche was invited to address hearings at the Finance Committee of the Chamber of Deputies (House of Representatives) and at the Finance Committee of the Senate. Both events allowed him to deliver important messages to a section of Italy's political leadership representing all political factions. The LaRouches were accompanied by the leadership of the Italian Movimento Solidarietà (MoviSol), chairwoman Liliana Gorini, Claudio Celani, and Andrew Spannaus.

LaRouche's presentation at the Chamber of Deputies Finance Committee on June 17 was particularly well-attended and successful. LaRouche was introduced by chairman Gianfranco Conte, as "the economist who forecast the financial crisis, whereas all others failed"; each of the 13 Representatives convened posed questions, and debated with LaRouche at a high level, on the nature of the crisis and its solution.

"The things I will tell you are not necessarily things you plan to act immediately upon, legislatively," LaRouche said at the beginning, "but I think it is all relevant to what you should take into consideration in looking at the matter."

We are now in a process of disintegration of the whole financial and monetary system, LaRouche explained, and, in this respect, the policy of the U.S. Administration is "a catastrophe." At any moment, we could have a breakdown crisis of entire nations, as it is occur-

ring now in the State of California. We must recognize that Europe is impotent to deal with this crisis, because the euro system prevents the nations of Europe from adopting the necessary measures, LaRouche stated.

The solution, as LaRouche has indicated, is to implement bankruptcy procedures for the whole system, as is prescribed by U.S. law: Put the entire system under bankruptcy protection, in which assets pertaining to real economic activities, to the life of the communities, wages, pensions, and so forth, are protected, and the rest is either frozen or cancelled.

Two questions must be posed: Is there the will to do that? And: Can we put together a group of nations able to implement that solution? A four-power combination of the United States, China, Russia, and India would have the power to do that; however, there are currently political difficulties.

The problem is that we have an insane President of the United States, who is bailing out highly speculative assets, and wants to implement a health-reform policy which is the equivalent of Hitler's 1939 "Tiergarten 4" euthanasia program. I am aware that European media do not present the real nature of Obama's health reform, LaRouche remarked, and went on to explain it in some detail.

This issue especially struck the legislators, who asked for clarification, since, as one of them said, "We are told that Obama wants to extend medical assistance to all Americans, and not cut it." He may include more



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Lyndon LaRouche (third from right), was invited to address committee hearings in both houses of the Italian legislature June 17-18. He is shown here with (front row, left:) MoviSol chairwoman Liliana Gorini; (far right:) BüSo chairwoman Helga Zepp-LaRouche; (second from right:) Sen. Oskar Peterlini, along with members of MoviSol, and others.

Americans on the list, LaRouche said, but he is cutting medical care for them!

Wide-Ranging Questions

Questions from the Representatives ranged from the euro system to the dollar crisis, from the “green economy” as a proposed solution to the crisis, to the question, “Why did they let Lehman Brothers go under?” A leading opposition member thanked LaRouche for having said that the Obama policy is “catastrophic,” asking that LaRouche meet with Italy’s Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi to explain it to him, since the Prime Minister is pushing an “optimism” line on the economy; a member of the government coalition endorsed the criticism of “the system over the last decades,” said that he is personally for a protectionist policy, and asked what the alternative is to industrial outsourcing. Another Representative raised the issue of the “asymmetry” between the global financial system and national governments, and asked what rules should be implemented. One representative admitted he was “strongly impressed” by the “certainty” of LaRouche’s forecast of “a cataclysm,” and agreed that the solution is in the U.S.A.+BRIC (Brazil, Russia, India, China) alliance.

After the first round of questions, LaRouche ad-

ressed the concepts underlying several of the overlapping questions, and explained how he makes his economic forecasts. There is a difference between short-term predictions, based on statistics, and my long-term forecasts, LaRouche elaborated, giving the concrete example of how he based his first forecast of a recession in the U.S.A., in 1957, on evidence he collected of a financial bubble in the automobile sales market. My forecasts, he said, are based on the consequence of either policies adopted, or omissions of policies to be adopted. The problem is that after the 1957 recession, the U.S. never adopted the necessary policies, and so I could forecast the 1971 crisis with the breakup of the Bretton Woods agreement.

All of my forecasts are based on that approach, LaRouche said. Now, again, my forecast is based on the consequences of the wrong policies adopted. Take Obama’s health-care policy for example: It consists of a \$1 trillion cut, and of taking away decisions from medical doctors, giving them to a committee of politicians and financiers, on the model of the British policy called NICE (National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence). The policy is based on the reduction of life-expectancy of patients. “We are going down the same road that Adolf Hitler went on Sept. 1, 1939,” he said.



National sovereignty, LaRouche said, is based on national cultures. “We want to have a system in which each culture has its individual sovereignty. We do not want to have a new Tower of Babel, which some people call ‘globalization.’” Shown: Siena Cathedral (early 13th Century) exemplifies a high point of Italian cultural development.

The other issue, LaRouche said, is that you should forget monetary statistics. We have now a deflationary process in the physical economy, and a hyperinflationary process in the financial economy, thanks to the decisions by the U.S. and European governments to bail out bankrupt entities. The whole system is bankrupt, and we should not bail it out, LaRouche said. It is bankrupt because of gambling, and “when a gambler is bankrupt, you do not bail him out, you send him to the psychiatrist.”

Normally, you would put the system under bankruptcy, because we want to save our industry, our economy, but we went in the wrong direction, and “we are still going in the wrong direction,” LaRouche explained. What we need is to replace the current international monetary system with a credit system, similar to what Franklin Roosevelt did in 1933. Roosevelt’s original conception of the United Nations was a system of sovereign nation-states, free from colonialism, which could develop, thanks to credit issued under a fixed-exchange-rate system. This did not work because, upon Roosevelt’s death, instead of recognizing differences in cultures among peoples, expressed in perfect national sovereignty, we went to a quasi-imperial system run by an Anglo-American alliance.

However, since this system is based on the strength of the U.S. economy and of the U.S. dollar, today, a dollar

collapse would cause a chain reaction globally. LaRouche warned that there are some “fellows in London, who control the chief assistant to the Russian President,” who wish that collapse. Unfortunately, President Medvedev has temporarily gone with the suggestion of sinking the dollar, even against the advice of seasoned politicians such as former Prime Minister Yevgeni Primakov.

The Highest Level of Culture

LaRouche stressed the importance of national sovereignty, a key issue for Europeans who believe in the supranational European Union system. Instead of repairing, or reforming the system, we must “decide which values we want to use for the new system. We want to have a system in which each culture has its individual sovereignty. We do not want to have a new Tower of Babel, which some

people call ‘globalization.’” We have to have “perfectly sovereign nation-states as the unit of organization of society, in order to allow each culture to fully express itself, to bring all peoples to a higher level of culture.”

One of the greatest injuries to Europe in the post-World War II period was the collapse of Classical culture, LaRouche said. You cannot have progress in science if you do not have Classical culture, because that is the source of inspiration for creativity in science (at this point, a committee member exclaimed, “Perfect!”). We have to protect that culture with the institution of the nation-state, fully accomplishing the realization of the 1648 Treaty of Westphalia. “We had a Europe without nation-states, and that was Medieval Europe!” LaRouche said.

LaRouche’s final remarks were greeted by general applause, and many legislators congratulated him personally. A staff member told MoviSol representatives that, according to their standard, the meeting was very successful, both in terms of attendance, and of content. “You hardly find a politician who is so outspoken, and does not play the usual political comedy,” the staffer said.

A Public Dialogue

Mr. and Mrs. LaRouche and the MoviSol representatives also met with the chairman of the Finance Committee of the Senate, Sen. Mario Baldassarri, on June

18. The meeting took the form of a dialogue between LaRouche, Senator Baldassarri, and members of the staff, and it was recorded in order to be posted on the committee website and sent to media.

The discussion focused, in particular, on how to “replace the financial oligarchy with the power of governments,” as Baldassarri condensed it in one sentence, and on why the oligarchy is so “stupid” as not to see that its policies are leading to a general ruin, including of the oligarchy itself. This gave LaRouche the opportunity to develop the contrast between this stupidity, as a “species characteristic,” and the role of culture as the driver of a shift in policy decisions. Again, the difference between the current “monetary” system and a needed “credit” system was discussed, and how to move the United States to initiate a four-power agreement to establish a credit system based on long-term treaty agreements.

The LaRouches also met a group of senators, led by Oskar Peterlini, initiator of the “New Bretton Woods” debate in the Italian Senate in 2005, and most recently, February of this year, in order to plan new initiatives.

LaRouche in Rome

The Remedy: Put the System in Bankruptcy

Lyndon LaRouche made these remarks to an informal hearing at the Italian Chamber of Deputies, June 17.

What I shall say to you will not always be things on which you would be prepared to act, legislatively, but I think it all is relevant to what you should take into mind and take into consideration, in looking at the matters you will have to deal with.

The “good news”—relatively good news—is that we’re essentially in a worldwide collapse of the international monetary-financial system. This is not something for the future; this is what has been happening since July of 2007. It just has been speeding up, and getting to a more and more crucial position, largely as a result of the failure of the United States to do its work in the reforms which could have been implemented in 2007.

The second thing is, the present policy of the present

President of the United States is a catastrophe, which has remedies, however.

Let me start with—first, what was the situation? On July 25th, of 2007, I gave an international webcast, in which I announced that we were on the verge, in a matter of days, of the beginning of a general collapse of the international financial system. This collapse, which I forecast would begin with the collapse of the weaker part of the mortgage banking system in the United States, and internationally. That, of course, happened three days after I forecast it, which is rather fast results, and has continued ever since.

At the present stage, that particular contagion, which started at that point, has now reached the point of a general threat of a breakdown crisis of the entire international financial-monetary system. The good part of the whole story is, that there is a remedy. But, it’s going to be a question of: Who’s going to do it?

We could, at any moment, in terms of days or weeks, we could have a general breakdown crisis, by which I mean a situation, as in the state of California, within the United States, for example, of large sections of the world going into a place where government *breaks down*; breaks down largely for financial reasons. In other words, the government just has no money, and has no money to maintain conventional essential institutions within that state or a number of states.

The entire United States is actually on the verge of such a situation, as are a number of countries in Europe—that is, they’re reaching, the point has not occurred, but the verge of the crash, the verge of a condition under which the income can not be developed by governments to cover essential, traditional functions. And then, simply government just walks away from those responsibilities, because it’s totally impotent.

For example, under the present rules of the European Union, governments have no authority to increase their capital funds. And therefore, in the case of a crisis, the question of an emergency float of capital funds, or injection of investments, as capital investments, to reverse the problem—it doesn’t exist.

So, this is the general condition. We’re also on the verge—at the same time that we’re in a *deflation*, because of collapse of employment and collapse of production (in the U.S., it’s worse now, than it was in the 1929-31 crash. It’s that deep. And this is the condition around the world.) But we’re on the verge, where, in the attempted bailouts of highly speculative financial operations, we’re on the verge of a hyperinflation, like

that of Germany in 1923. It could begin to explode at any point. So, you're in the mixture of a deflationary crisis in terms of the physical economy, and an inflationary crisis with the attempt to sustain certain kinds of institutions.

What To Do Now

My remedy, of course, was, in July of 2007, to resort to the final institution of bankruptcy, as we understand it in the United States. You simply take and declare an institution in bankruptcy. You don't shut it down, but it operates under operation-in-bankruptcy. Then you sort out the things which should be paid and covered immediately in an operation to maintain the functions of society, and you put some of the rest in limbo. And you then, gradually, you sort the mess out.

That usually, however, coming out a depression, a collapse like that, which is what we're going to be facing now, in Europe and elsewhere, means that you have to put the thing under regulation. But at the same time, you have to do things which start growth, under these conditions. Therefore, you set priorities on capital funds, at low rates, over a *long term*, to get institutions back into motion, and then the income you generate by putting institutions back in motion, becomes the means of financing a recovery process.

So, the question is: Is there the *will* to do that? One. Two, does the will exist *among* nations, to establish a system of cooperation which will deal with that?

For example, take the case of China. China was used for years as a cheap-labor market, to replace production in Europe and the United States. Now, this happened, because the Chinese worked more cheaply than Americans or Europeans; and therefore, it was a cutthroat dumping of the European market, the American market, but in a highly deflationary/inflationary mode. We shut down the industries in the United States and Europe, on which those European economies depended for their income, and we transferred the production and the capital investment to China, where the labor was cheaper. As a result of that, we've gotten into a situation, where now, in Europe, as in the United States, we have shut down our sources of income. We have a rate of unem-



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Lyndon LaRouche brought "good news" to his Italian friends: *The bankrupt international financial system is collapsing; the question now is, what will replace it? Here, LaRouche (center), with Sen. Oskar Peterlini to his left.*

ployment which exceeds that of the so-called legendary Great Depression of the 1930s, and it has not stopped—it's accelerating.

So we're rapidly moving toward a crisis.

What happened is, instead of using the law of bankruptcy, to put the national economies under regulation and to organize their recovery, we went in the opposite direction: We went to bail out highly speculative kinds of investment, or so-called investments, in financial derivatives. Our entire financial, insurance, and banking systems were saturated with this kind of garbage, at the same time that the real, legitimate income, by production and investment in real creation of wealth, was being starved.

So now, we've bailed out those insurance companies, in the order of, in the U.S., \$13 *trillion* of bailout, of things that should not have been bailed out, they should have been put into reorganization. We now are cutting health care, by the order of magnitude now of \$1 *trillion of U.S. health care*, is being cut by this administration—and that's not the end of it! It's going to become worse.

The health-care system is being shut down, at least if certain laws pass, proposed by President Obama, under which we will *reduce* the number of people who live: We are copying a law which was adopted as the NICE [National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence] law, in Great Britain, and is being forced down the throat in Germany, which means that whole categories of people will be written off for accelerated death



NASA

Advanced industries in the U.S. and Europe were shut down, and shipped to cheap-labor markets, like those in China. The result: today's disintegrating economies in the formerly advanced sector. Shown: Italian aerospace company Alenia Spazio technicians prepare a satellite for the Orbiter Columbia in 1996.

rates, by denial of medical assistance, and cutting the relevant programs, shutting down medical institutions, and so forth. So we're in this kind of horror show.

The only remedy, of course, is, again, put the entire world system into bankruptcy reorganization, which requires a concert of nations to agree that this has to be done. Because in doing this, we have to ensure stability, economic stability and political stability, at the same time. Therefore, there has to be an agreement among *some* leading nations, to start this process as the model for the rest to follow.

My view and recommendation—because Europe is no longer operating with the kind of freedom that European nations had earlier, because of the euro process, where European governments can not create credit for the purpose of recovery of their industries, long-term investment, and we need that kind of credit. So what I proposed is, that the United States should go to China, to Russia, and to India, as key countries which would be easy partners to make: China depends upon the United States for its economy. Russia, if it uses its head, depends upon the United States to stabilize its own country; all these countries need a long-term reorganization of the banking and financial system, in order to regulate and manage this thing. But the management must come globally, not just by one nation at a time. Groups of nations must agree to share agreement on a common credit

system, among nations, at a fixed exchange rate. Then we can afford, and be able, to generate the credit over, say, a 50-year period, to get some of the industries going, largely through infrastructure investments, which are needed to build up and save this economy. It can be done. I'm proposing that it *be* done.

It's Coming On Fast

But I'm also, at the same time, admitting, that this is a very difficult thing to do at this time, politically. And therefore, I would hope that by my informing people that this is the situation, they would begin to think in these directions, and then we could get some cooperation to this effect. But the problem is, this is coming on fast. This is not something for the distant future, it's not a speculation: I can guarantee you, that under the present system, with the policies of gov-

ernment in Europe and the United States, I can guarantee you, that we're headed for the worst crash since the 14th-Century New Dark Age, and this, on a global scale. And therefore, it's important now, even before the feasibility of doing this is apparent, to have the *idea* of the need to do it clearly in view. And thus, hope, that as the crash becomes worse, that people will recognize that they're willing to do what they were not willing to do earlier. Because this is the necessary thing.

And the other part of this thing, is the problem that most people out there, including in government and outside government, really don't understand this situation. And it has to be explained and made clear to them. Because you're not going to get a voluntary agreement to the kind of measure that's required, unless people understand what the problem is and what the solutions are.

And so therefore, that's what I'm saying: I'm saying to you, that I can not suggest that you're going to do these things, but I can suggest that you're going to think about them. And that therefore, we're going to build up a constituency for cooperation rather rapidly, I would hope, to be prepared to take the necessary action. And I think this is one of the places, in Italy, where that discussion has to go forward. And that's my purpose in my remarks, today. I presume you have some things you may want to ask me about it.

In the Wake of the Elections: Iranians, Watch Your Back!

by Hussein Askary

June 18—As this report is being written, the Iranian streets continued to simmer, for the sixth consecutive day, with demonstrations and counter-demonstrations, both peaceful and violent, by supporters of the “moderate reformist” Presidential candidate, Mir Hossein Mousavi, and the sitting “hardline” President Mahmoud Ahmedinejad. The dispute is related to allegations of vote rigging in the 10th Presidential elections, June 12, since the Islamic Revolution of 1979, giving the victory to Ahmedinejad.

Suspicion of vote-rigging arose when Ahmadinejad was declared the winner the night of the election, when reportedly only 20% of the votes were counted. Ahmadinejad reportedly won 69% of the vote, later adjusted to 62%, bringing him reelection to a second term. This is unprecedented in all recent elections, in which the top two candidates were always forced to hold a runoff, after no candidate had received more than 50% of the vote. It has to be stated that opinion polls before the election showed Ahmedinejad leading Mousavi, but only with a very narrow margin.

Mousavi protested the results, and later filed for a recount, and even invalidation of the election. Mehdi Karroubi, the other reform candidate, also immediately protested the election outcome, and has participated in demonstrations. After two days of delay and violent demonstrations, religious Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei instructed the Guardian Council to undertake a review of the vote. Supporters of the reformist

candidates, not the candidates themselves, both inside and outside the country, argue that a coup d'état was carried out under the direction of Khamenei, who, according to the Iranian Constitution and “Velayati Fagih” system (invented by Ayatollah Khomeini after the 1979 Islamic Revolution), is the final and supreme arbiter of any dispute related to policy-making by the elected Presidency.

The Strategic Context

However dramatic the picture inside the country may be, it would be a fatal miscalculation to neglect the fact that the global strategic situation is affecting, and is being affected by Iran's internal conflict.

The world situation is dominated by the process of the decaying British empire and its globalized financial and monetary system. The world, and especially the region surrounding Iran, and South and Southwest Asia, has been dominated by British geopolitics for more than a century. Since the untimely death of anti-imperialist U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt in April 1945, the United States has been dragged into various geopolitical manipulations by the “dear British allies,” as a junior partner, time and again, in the region, contrary to widespread myths about “American Imperialism.”

Nonetheless, that does not exonerate those U.S. leaders who have willingly endorsed an imperial view of the world, such as George W. Bush and Dick Cheney. Iran in particular, since the 1891 Tobacco Revolt



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Former Prime Minister Mir Hossein Mousavi (inset), the leading challenger to President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad in the Iranian elections, has disputed the official results, as his supporters and those of the other reform candidates took to the streets in protest. The British imperialists would like to trigger another “color revolution” in Iran.

(against granting Britain a monopoly over the tobacco trade in the country), has been a playground for British intelligence operations, destabilizing one ruler and installing another as it suited the Empire’s interests. The Iranians themselves know this very well, but still fall every now and then into the spider web of the British Empire, every time they look for a pragmatic ally who would help one faction against the other. The emergence of the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC), as one of the few foreign media sources allowed to broadcast from inside the country, in spite of Iranian government accusations in recent months that it is a spy operation, is a clear illustration of this irony. The BBC played a key role in destabilizing the Shah in 1979. (Since this article was written, on June 20-21, the Iranian leadership, notably Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei and Foreign Minister Mottaki have identified the British role in destabilizing Iran. Khamenei described Britain as “the greatest evil.”—ed.)

As Lyndon LaRouche warned recently, with the breakdown crisis of not only the global casino economy, but also the physical economies of all nations,

with threatened mass unemployment, social crisis, food crisis, and most immediately dangerous, the collapse of the health-care infrastructure systems in the face of the swine flu pandemic, the British financial empire and oligarchy are launching a “chaos operation” to prevent a system of sovereign nation-states from replacing the corpse of the old British financial order.

LaRouche has stressed the collaborative role of the United States, Russia, China, and India, is key to reorganizing a new just, world economic system, that would take power over the world economy away from the British-centered private interests, and return it to sovereign nations. That would also mean the collaboration of sovereign nations to cure and stabilize the danger spots created by British geopolitics, especially in South and Southwest Asia.

In 2004, LaRouche already forecast that the Iraq War would be a long, drawn-out disaster for the invading U.S.A., a quagmire that could only be resolved by true collaboration among all the neighbors of Iraq, in a plan of economic development. LaRouche laid that out in his Spring 2004 strategic study, “The LaRouche Doctrine”

(EIR April 30, 2004). In the context of the global financial meltdown, that perspective is more urgent than ever.

A stable Iran (whatever the final outcome of this latest contest may be) would play a key role in this process. Contrary to British, European, and American media propaganda, Iran is not a threat to world security and peace. However, a destabilized Iran is a threat, based on the mere fact of not being able to collaborate with the U.S., Russia, China, India, Pakistan, and Turkey to stabilize the deteriorating situation in Afghanistan.

Even during Bush's final months in the White House, top U.S. military figures and Defense Secretary Robert Gates recognized Iran's role in helping to stop the drug trafficking from Afghanistan, where opium is a major source of income and weapons trade in support of the Taliban. Following the election of President Barack Obama, who committed more troops to Afghanistan, the dialogue with Iran was poised to be intensified.

Iraq, where the George Bush/Tony Blair fascist duo produced a disaster with the 2003 invasion, is another major point of potential dialogue between the U.S. and Iran. Without Iran's input, it is impossible to stabilize that war-torn country. The U.S.-Iran dialogue on Iraqi security has been formal, and established since the Bush Administration. Iran can also play a major role in the Israeli-Arab peace process, through its ties to both Syria, and Hamas in Palestine. It can contribute to easing the internal tension in Lebanon through its relationship to Hezbollah.

Of course, Ahmedinejad's reelection would continue to be a source of tension that could be used by Anglo-American/Anglo-Saudi and Israeli warmongers and geopolitical manipulators. Tensions in the Gulf will rise, especially as the Anglo-Saudis believe and vociferously propagandize that Ahmadinejad would resort to "exporting" his domestic problems by opening new fronts against his "Sunni" neighbors and the United States. The Anglo-Saudi press, such as the London-based Saudi daily, *Asharq al-Awsat*, is full of *Schadenfreude* and expectations of new confrontations between Iran and the U.S.

The British-controlled Bush-Cheney Administration failed in fomenting an all-out sectarian war in the region along the lines dividing "Shi'a axis"—Iran, Syria, and Hezbollah in Lebanon—against the U.S.-supported "Sunni axis" of Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Jordan, and the minor Gulf States.

Nonetheless, it is expected that continued turmoil in Iran will awaken the hawk faction that has been dor-

mant since the end of the Bush Administration. That includes the imperialists of continental Europe too, as the case of the May 26 French-U.A.E. defense agreement illustrates. The French daily *Le Figaro* reported on June 15 that secret clauses of the agreement during the inauguration of a French naval base at Abu Dhabi, state that France is committing itself to use all military means at its disposal to defend the U.A.E., were it to come under attack. "All military means" also means nuclear weapons, if necessary, stated the *Le Figaro* article. "The containment of Iran has started," claimed the article. "Since Tehran has not given a favorable response to Washington's proposals for negotiations, the major capitals are now preparing for all scenarios."

Sane voices in the international community know that it has to be taken into account that no Iranian President or political leader, no matter whether reformist or extremist, would accept ending the Iranian nuclear program. The Iranian nation, which is committed to harnessing this technology for its future development, would consider it treason if any of its leaders would make compromises about enriching nuclear fuel or building new nuclear power plants. Senior members of the U.S. Congress, including Rep. John Tierney (D-Mass.), in a speech on June 17 to the National Iranian-American Council (NIAC), and Sen. John Kerry (D-Mass.), in a June 18 *Washington Post* op-ed, both acknowledge this reality, and recognize that the U.S. must continue to pursue direct engagement with Iran, regardless of the election.

The Threat from Israel

Israeli leaders have been beating the drums for years that the Iranians are close to building a nuclear bomb "to wipe Israel off the map." Israeli air force fighter pilots have reportedly been training for simulated attacks on Iranian nuclear power plants and other facilities. Although it is practically impossible for Israel to launch such an attack without support from the U.S. or European bases in the region, real provocations are not to be excluded.

Ironically, President Ahmadinejad's disputed election results got the endorsement from none other than the chief of the Israeli Mossad, Meir Dagan, who told the Knesset foreign policy and defense committee on June 16 that Israel would have a harder time pursuing its hardline Iran policy if Mousavi is elected.

"Election fraud in Iran is no different than what happens in liberal states during elections," said Dagan, adding that he believes the opposition demos will fade



Many religious leaders support the reformers, but Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei is moving to crush any challenge to the theocracy's control of the President and parliament. At the same time, he has pointed to the British role behind the destabilization of Iran.

away, and the election of Ahmadinejad will stand. Expressing relief at the victory of the hardline Iranian leader who the Israelis say wants to wipe Israel off the map, Dagan added, "If the reformist candidate Mir Hossein Mousavi had won, Israel would have had a more serious problem, because it would need to explain to the world the danger of the Iranian threat, since Mousavi is perceived internationally as a moderate element. . . . It is important to remember that he is the one who began Iran's nuclear program when he was prime minister."

Also, commenting on the Iranian elections, Israeli Defense Minister Ehud Barak told Israeli radio that the world has to "swiftly act" to prevent Tehran from advancing its nuclear program, saying, "Iran is in the midst of a very dangerous process. Steps must be planned in advance within a time frame that isn't too long. We don't have much time." He added, "We've resolved not to take any option off the table and we expect others to do the same." Despite the Mossad chief's declaring the Iranian election to be as fair as in "liberal states," Barak reminded his listeners, "One mustn't forget we are dealing with a dictatorial regime run by ayatollahs. . . ."

Coup or Counter-Coup?

The danger of an implosion of the situation in Iran will remain high in the coming days. The level of vio-

lence among the supporters of the two sides could lead to horrible, bloody confrontations all over the country. This could open the gates wide open for foreign-supported ethnic militants in the Arab, Belochi, Azeri, and Kurdish provinces, throwing the whole country into multiple violent conflicts and chaos.

The outside world should do its best to avoid aiding in this process, whether wittingly or unwittingly, and let the Iranians resolve their differences, hopefully, peacefully. What the outside world should do is to assure the Iranian nation that the dialogue with Iran will continue and strategic and economic cooperation is on the table, instead of military attacks or sanctions.

However, the internal rift has become so wide, that some drastic changes in the form of government and institutions in Iran will become imperative no matter who wins in the end. It is from this standpoint that the talk about a "coup" is emerging. The question is not whether there will be a revolution, but whether there will be gradual changes in the state institutions and power structures to ensure the establishment of a true republic with political and civil freedoms, and a truly elected representative government.

It has to be highlighted that there is an internal conflict among factions of the same "revolutionary" establishment. Following the first demonstrations last week, 100 political leaders who have been close to reformist candidate Mousavi and his close ally, former President Seyed Mohammad Khatami, were arrested. Among the arrested were Mohammad-Reza Khatami, brother of the former President, and his wife, who is the granddaughter of Imam Khomeini, together with Mohammad Ali Abtahi, a former advisor to President Khatami. These figures were arrested at their homes and not at the demonstrations. This amounts to a coup, since these leaders are not simply new revolutionaries, but actually have been an active part of the Islamic Revolution since the days of Imam Khomeini. It has to be emphasized that many notable religious personalities, so-called "Ayatollahs," such as Ayatollah Ali Montazari and Ayatollah Nouri, support the reformist camp. So the rift goes through the entire religious establishment as well.

What is behind this escalation is not simply the Presidential elections, but a move by religious Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei to crush any discussion of constitutional reform which would deprive him and the theocracy of absolute power over both the President and Parliament. A victory of the reformist group would have

put the question of a serious republican system on the table.

Iran has been suffering under this double command for years. There are two governments in the country: One is run by the elected government and one is run by the clergy—increasingly, with its security apparatus.

This also means that enormous economic resources have to be diverted away from economic development into sustaining political and armed organizations such as the Basij militias, the Bunyad organizations, where, through financial support to the poor and the victims of the bloody Iran-Iraq War, these layers have become a paid-for support group for the clergy and whoever sides with it.

Ahmedinejad has thrown all his fanatic allegiance to Ayatollah Khamenei, and has been pursuing a populist campaign of attacking the middle class and wealthy, who, he stated in the election campaign, are the corrupt element supporting the reformist opposition, while he himself was spending state income on buying the loyalty and votes of the poor, whom he promised to lift out of poverty in past election campaigns. Their conditions have not improved, for lack of use of the oil revenues to develop infrastructure, or industrial and agricultural projects. Instead, the poor, in both the cities and the rural areas, have become a kind of cargo cult, dependent on the charity of the state and religious institutions. It is this unsustainable situation which lies under the surface of this turmoil. It is unavoidable that this system will be challenged in the coming months, whatever the outcome of the election may be.

Since the 1891 “Tobacco Revolt” against the Qajari monarchy’s attempt to submit to British imperialism, a revolt which led to the “constitutional revolt” of 1904, Iranians have resorted to mass demonstrations as legitimate expression of their grievances and aspirations. The British role in diverting these protests into bloody “revolutions” has been the problem. In the Western media, the current demonstrations are being portrayed as a copy of the “color” revolutions: the “Orange Revolution” in Ukraine, the “Purple Revolution” in Georgia, or the street riots in Thailand, which all showed that the outcome is disaster. What has happened in these cases, is that the “democratic” movement was taken over by such servants of the British empire as George Soros and the “democracy mafia” in Europe and the United States. Fair and free elections are imperative to solve this situation. Until that is achieved, watch your back!

Green Genocide in Africa

Stop the Land Grab For Solar and Biofuels!

by Portia Tarumbwa-Strid

This is addressed to the 13th African Union summit, to be held June 24-July 3 in Syrte, Libya:

The June 16 article in Germany’s *Der Spiegel* magazine, announcing the “Desertec” project of the Club of Rome-led consortium of 20 companies to infest the Sahara Desert with low-tech solar thermal power, using parabolic mirrors, ushers in the final stage of the re-colonization of Africa. Not only will this mass-murderous plan occupy potentially precious land-area needed for the production of food for Africans, but it will also use up four times the amount of water that a natural gas power plant requires, to condense the steam into water that is then vaporized again, in the process of producing electricity.

“What’s so bad about that?” you may ask. “Is not the world overpopulated? Are we not destroying the planet with technologies and human progress, and are not renewable energies the only viable solution to this problem?”

Wrong! The Malthusian thinking that has been injected into public opinion since the end of the Second World War is not only an economic farce, but has the explicit intention of reviving Hitler’s eugenics or race-hygiene policies on a global scale. The nations of Africa have been a prime target of these policies, being denied national sovereignty and advanced technologies such as nuclear power, so as to be the looting and killing grounds for imperialist schemes.

The system of globalization is committing genocide against Africa, according to policies clearly stated by the British imperialists Lord Bertrand Russell and Prince Philip (co-founder of the World Wide Fund for Nature, WWF). This fascist intent has been enacted in stages, beginning with the conditionalities of the IMF and World Bank introduced in the 1970s with the fall of the Bretton Woods System, then through the fascist



Desertec-UK

The Desertec project would “pave” the Sahara Desert with parabolic mirrors to generate low-tech solar power—not for Africa, but for Europe. Shown here, the project design in India.

green ideologies that have lured African nations into giving up their land to “conservation parks,” and more recently, with the biofuel plantations as large as Luxembourg, or even France, being bought up by multinationals operating as part of the British Empire.

The Trap of the Bio-Fools

According to the London *Guardian*’s online magazine on June 15, \$920 million has been spent to buy up or lease nearly 2.5 million hectares (1 hectare=2.5 acres) of farmland in five sub-Saharan countries since 2004. The article describes Asian and Persian Gulf countries as the main perpetrators of this policy, which is intended to combat the expected 10-15% rise in food prices, as a result of higher energy costs. The goal is to secure wheat, corn, potatoes, beans, and other such foodstuffs for domestic consumption.

But this tells only half the story, and is even misleading, since sundry British multinationals, such as BP, and “renewable energies” companies such as Sun Biofuels and Kavango Bio Energy, either own or have leased hundreds of thousands of hectares of land in Angola, Ethiopia, Mozambique, Nigeria, Tanzania, and northern Namibia. The article neither acknowledges these British exploits with a single word, nor elaborates on the proportions this biofuel bonanza has really taken.

Country after country in Africa has been sucked into this new craze, some selling their land for a song, others holding on to the promise of investments in roads, schools, and hospitals as their only deposit. A closer look at the list of nations being looted reads like a chronicle of a new scramble for the wealth of Africa.

A Norwegian company, Biofuel Africa, acquired the use of 38,000 hectares of land in **Ghana**, where a Swedish company called Sekab already possessed 5,000 hectares for biofuel production. Companies from the United States, Japan, Canada, and Germany have also been involved. The German company Prokon, known for its wind turbines, is of special interest, because it moved into Tanzania and gained use of 200,000 hectares—a territory the size of Luxembourg!

In **Mozambique**, the ProCana project has appropriated 75,000 acres (five times the size of Manhattan) for growing sugarcane, which is to be processed into ethanol. BioEnergy Africa, based in the British Virgin Islands, owns 94% of ProCana, and since 2007, biofuel investors have applied for rights to use 12 million acres in the country—one-seventh of all the arable land in Mozambique. **Kenya** announced in February 2009 that it would dedicate 500,000 acres to the production of bio-diesel; while in the **Democratic Republic of Congo**, 2.8 million hectares are being harnessed for a Chinese oil-palm plantation. In **Ethiopia**, a total of 59 million acres has been made available for the production of biofuels. And the list goes on and on.

As yet, the only country that has stopped a 99-year contract, which would have leased 1.3 million hectares to the South Korean company Daewoo for manufacturing bio-ethanol, is **Madagascar**. The price of protest was the toppling of its previous government, but the new leader, Andy Rajoelina, is determined to put an end to all such dealings.

Overcome Hunger, Economic Collapse

With the global financial system collapsing, any patriotic African can see that behind the push for green fascism in Africa, is the effort of the financial oligarchy to survive. Biofuels are most profitable when there is a combination of high oil prices and government

subsidies. Current speculation-driven prices of more than \$70 per barrel therefore make for a killing, in more ways than one. It does not require a stretch of the imagination to see that the flat-lining of global grain production in the past decade, juxtaposed to an increasing population, means genocide, especially since the emphasis on biofuels further reduces the arable land available for food production.

Combined with the fact that the entire Sahara is now to be annexed to the Club of Rome-led solar project, whereby Europe is to be provided energy at the expense of the development of Africa, the awful picture should dawn upon us in its entirety. Africans are to die in the millions, at the hands of the cult of green fascism.

Fifty years from now, future generations will thank a wise leadership of the African Union that categorically rejects these green policies, and goes for the greening of the Sahara through nuclear power. The nations of Africa can only be truly free of brutish imperialism, if the policies of Lyndon LaRouche for establishing an international credit system are adopted, policies that would launch the high-tech industrialization of Africa. Only the eradication of poverty and hunger on this beautiful continent within the coming decades, through massive investment in transportation, water management, and high-tech energy-systems, such as nuclear, can bring forth the African Renaissance that the liberation struggle of our forefathers envisaged.

Club of Rome's Genocidal Energy Project for Africa

According to an article in the June 16 German newsweekly *Der Spiegel*, a Club of Rome-led consortium of 20 companies has announced a EU400-billion (\$555.3 billion) malthusian energy plan to turn the North African desert into a string of large solar concentrating plants, similar to the Solar One plant in the California desert. The project would consist of low-tech solar thermal power, using parabolic mirrors to heat water, which would drive turbines in a local power plant, to supply electricity to Europe. Members of the consortium include the German insurance giant Munich Re, Siemens, Deutsche Bank, and energy companies including RWE.

The plan, called Desertec, is a slick repackaging of a scheme that has been kicked around for several years; it has been endorsed by the same genocidal crowd that opposes the worldwide development of nuclear power, including former British Prime Minister Tony Blair, global warming fanatic Al Gore, and the Climate Group, which includes the old British Empire banks, Standard and Chartered and HSBC.

The promotional material on the Desertec Foundation website, which is paid for by the malthusian Club of Rome, reads more like an investment pro-

spectus geared towards creating a financial bubble than an energy plan: No details are provided on the size of the solar power plants, nor the number needed to supply the claim of providing 15% of Europe's electricity demands.

In fact, Desertec is based on the fatally flawed assumption that "renewables," like solar and wind, could replace baseline sources of electrical power, like fossil fuel and nuclear, a fraud that would lead to the deaths of *billions of people* worldwide. To illustrate the point, the solar concentrating plants that the plan uses are intermittent and have a capacity factor of around 25%—and that is being generous. That means, that the solar power plant will only produce electricity about 25% of the time, as opposed to a nuclear power plant, which produces electricity 95% of the time.

Moreover, solar concentrating plants use four times the water of a natural gas power plant—an insane idea for the North African desert.

The other limiting feature of the solar concentrating plant is that it doesn't produce much in the way of high-temperature process heat. With a solar concentrating plant you have to choose to use the steam either to produce electricity or to desalinate seawater—you can't do both. On the other hand, with a fourth-generation high-temperature nuclear reactor, which produces high-temperature process heat, you could both desalinate seawater and produce electricity.

—Greg Murphy

West: No Aid for Unity Government in Zimbabwe

June 19—Morgan Tsvangirai, Prime Minister of the Zimbabwe unity government, was offered a mere pittance of the aid needed to rebuild the economy, during his three-week tour of Western industrial nations. Zimbabwe's economy has been destroyed after years of financial warfare. Almost all of the small amount of aid has been designated to go through NGOs, and therefore won't do anything for the economy. Most of it, according to African sources, will go to non-Zimbabweans working in the governance and democracy fields.

Thus, with new humanitarian disasters being predicted because of imminent food shortages, the stage is set for the implementation of the London-based Economist Intelligence Unit assessment that unrest in Zimbabwe, fueled by grinding poverty, could bring down the unity government.

The justification for not aiding Zimbabwe was dictated by British Minister for Africa, Asia, and the UN, Lord Mark Malloch-Brown, who bluntly warned June 9, while in Mozambique, that Britain would halt aid to Zimbabwe, "if there are attacks on opposition supporters or other violence." He repeated his "no" to Tsvangirai in the London *Times* today, the day the Prime Minister arrived in London on his final stop.

However, associates of Tsvangirai indicate that the real reason for the denial, by the Western industrial nations, of aid for economic reconstruction, was the precondition demanded by the British that Zimbabwe agree to deregulate and open the economy to the globalized looting financial apparatus. This was something the Mugabe government had always refused to do, and

Tsvangirai's associates also have said that this is unacceptable to the present unity government: "We have to protect our industry," they insist.

Tsvangirai said in Washington, that Zimbabwe's economy had fallen from number two in the region, after South Africa, down to the lowest. But, in the face of several provocative anti-Mugabe questions, Tsvangirai refused to attack the former Prime Minister. He said the framework has been set up for us to talk to resolve our differences.

As for a purported assassination list targeting members of Tsvangirai's party, that had supposedly been drawn up by people in Mugabe's party, Tsvangirai said flatly that he didn't believe such a list existed.

Graton Drops Genocide Charge Against Sudan

June 18—Retired Air Force Maj. Gen. J. Scott Graton, the Obama Administration's special envoy to Sudan, yesterday announced a shift in U.S. policy towards Sudan. Instead of continuing to support the British imperial policy of charging that Sudan was carrying out a policy of genocide as it put down a British-instigated anti-government rebellion in Darfur, Graton said that Sudan is not carrying out a "coordinated" campaign of mass murder in the Darfur region.

This was Graton's first press conference since he was appointed special envoy three months ago, and comes as the U.S. Administration is finishing a review of its Sudan policy. Graton's move has exposed the divide between him and the Obama Administration's hardline anglophile ambassador to the UN, Susan E. Rice, who was, as of a few days ago according to reports, still

accusing Sudan of genocide.

Instead of declaring Sudan a no-fly zone which would be militarily enforced, as Rice and other Obama advisors had advocated during the Presidential campaign and after the election, Graton has organized a conference on Sudan, not focussed on Darfur, but on ensuring the implementation of the 2005 Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA) between North and South that ended the protracted civil war. The CPA is now in trouble, and in his press conference, Graton put a priority on saving the agreement. The CPA agreement was signed, despite the Darfur rebellion being triggered during the final negotiations of the CPA.

Graton has traveled to Sudan, Qatar, Europe, and China, seeking to buttress the CPA. The summit organized by Graton will include top representatives from the North and South of Sudan, plus officials from more than 30 countries and organizations, such as the UN Security Council, China, and the foreign ministers of neighboring Kenya and Ethiopia.

Graton is reported to have called for easing some U.S. sanctions, and upgrading American diplomatic relations with Sudan. Graton said: "We need to have engagement with all parties to save lives in Sudan, to bring about a lasting peace." He said that, as a result of his initial talks with the Sudan government, "We've essentially closed the humanitarian gap that existed in Darfur when the 13 [NGOs] were expelled."

Sudan's ambassador to the UN, Abdalmahmood Abdalhaleem, said that Graton's invitation to the conference marked a major improvement in relations. He said he is hoped that the conference will give a major boost to the peace efforts in Sudan.

Obama's Financial 'Regulation' To Rescue the Brutish Empire

by John Hoefle

June 19—President Barack Obama's so-called financial "reform" program was released this week, demonstrating yet again the fascist nature of his administration. While presenting these measures as correctives to a "culture of irresponsibility," what he actually did was to push America even further under the thumb of the parasitic financiers of the Brutish Empire! His June 17 speech, and the documents released with it, constitute a deliberate fraud, yet another sell-out of the United States and its people.

Obama's speech was a collection of misrepresentations and outright lies. While noting correctly that "a culture of irresponsibility took root, from Wall Street to Washington to Main Street," he neglected to mention how he and his administration have actively protected that irresponsibility, throwing trillions of dollars of public money down the rathole, and allowing bankrupt banks to continue to accept deposits and sell stock to the public. Rather than admit that this crisis was made possible by the systematic dismantling of the banking reforms implemented under President Franklin Roosevelt, and the systematic replacing of real regulators by cheerleaders who were captives of the sectors they were supposed to oversee, Obama blamed it all on the speed of innovation.

"A regulatory regime basically crafted in the wake of a 20th-Century economic crisis—the Great Depression—was overwhelmed by the speed, scope, and sophistication of a 21st-Century global economy," the

President claimed in his White House speech.

Not a word about how the Glass-Steagall Act, and other laws enacted under FDR, were removed from the books precisely because they prevented the creation of mega-banks, which engaged in wild speculation in everything from currencies to real estate, and ultimately blew up the world! Not a word about how the takedown of these regulatory protections was done at the behest of the international financial oligarchy, which used the takedown to move in on the United States, shut down our industrial might, and turn us from a nation of producers into a nation of consumers, whose consumption was financed with borrowed money, until the whole nation was bankrupt!

The problem was not the speed of innovation, but corruption on an almost unimaginable scale, starting with the financier parasites, the politicians and regulators they bought, and a population that tolerated such actions. That, Obama does not want to touch, because he is owned by the same financier oligarchy which led the assault—and which will benefit from his "reforms."

Save the Money, Kill the People

"There are those who will say that we do not go far enough, that we should have scrapped the system altogether and started all over again," Obama said in his speech. "I think that would be a mistake. Instead, we've crafted reforms to pinpoint the structural weaknesses that allowed for this crisis, and to make sure that these

problems are dealt with so that we're preventing crises in the future."

What a load of crap! The first sentence of that statement is clearly a reference to Lyndon LaRouche, the author of the proposal to put the international financial system through bankruptcy. Obama, we are reliably informed, is furious with LaRouche for exposing the fascist nature of his financial and health-care policies, and this comment reflects his fixation on LaRouche as his leading adversary.

The rest of that statement is pure sophistry, because it is the system itself that is the problem. Contrary to what Obama said, it cannot be fixed—and the failure of his own bailout programs shows it. Furthermore, the talk of preventing future crises is premature, because as the President well knows, this one ain't over. It is, in truth, only beginning, and the worst—far worse—is yet to come.

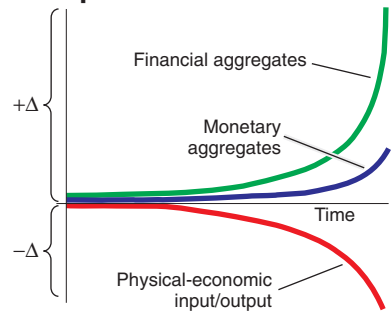
That Obama and his team realize that, can be seen in the main element of his reform, which is to give more power to the Federal Reserve. The same Federal Reserve, which, under Greenspan, led the U.S. into the creation of the largest financial bubble the world had ever seen, including the creation of off-balance-sheet derivatives, which grew into quadrillions of dollars and ultimately imploded! The same Federal Reserve which, under Ben Bernanke, has been "printing" money like crazy, in a vain attempt to keep that bubble from completely deflating—and destroying the dollar in the process! These are the idiots to whom Obama is going to give more power? In the name of protecting the people?

Obviously not. There's a different game afoot, and that is, the continued protection of monetary values, at the expense of the population. What Obama is really doing, is expanding the authority of the Fed to try to manage the collapse in such a manner as to save as much as it can. That's what the bank bailout is about; that's what the auto bailout is about; and that's what this latest "reform" is about.

Obama made that clear when he moved to protect the derivatives markets, rather than outlaw them, as LaRouche has proposed.

"We're also proposing comprehensive regulation of credit default swaps and other derivatives that have threatened the entire financial system," Obama said. "By setting common-sense rules, these kinds of finan-

FIGURE 1
LaRouche's Typical Collapse Function



cial instruments can play a constructive, rather than destructive, role."

Sure, and I've got a nice bridge I'd like to sell you.

Obama's reforms boil down to this: Keep the existing system going; turn more power over to the parasites; and restart the speculation machine. To pay for this, he's going to cut your health care, your Social Security, and whatever else is required. Save the money, kill the people.

His main economic advisors, Larry Summers and Tim Geithner, wrote, in an op-ed for the June 15 *Washington Post*, that the financial system "failed to perform its function as a reducer of risk." Risk is one of those buzzwords used to justify the insanity known as the derivatives market. One must protect oneself from changes in interest rates, currency values, bond defaults, and even changes in the weather, the bankers tell us—the same bankers who will willingly sell us such protection, for a fat fee.

This is a variation of the old mafia protection racket, in which they throw a brick through a shop window one night, and then drop by the next morning to offer to make sure it does not happen again; except in this case, the damage is done through the deliberate manipulation of financial markets.

Summers and Geithner also warned that "we live in a globalized world" and therefore need "international standards," which is precisely what the British are pushing as a way of creating a global financial dictatorship. The pair also defended the derivatives markets, calling, as Obama did, for more "regulation" of what must instead be banned.

For double-talk and hypocrisy, Obama's proposal is hard to beat. Meanwhile, we are losing jobs by the millions, throwing families into chaos. Trade flows, and imports and exports, are falling, and governments at all levels are cutting back services, ranging from police protection to medical care. Our very nation is breaking down.

What Obama is doing is trying to rescue the upper curves of LaRouche's "Triple Curve," by looting the lower curve. But the lower curve is the most important of all, because that's what keeps us alive. When it falls 100%, that's the final solution: We'll all be dead.

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End Obama Cover-Up: Infrastructure Now!

by EIR Staff

June 12—The World Health Organization’s June 11 declaration of a Level 6 global H1N1 pandemic threat—the highest alert possible—is a green light to mobilize to build up public health and medical infrastructure—vaccine and medication production capacity, ratios of hospital beds, medical staff, equipment and facilities. It goes completely against the British model of “Hitler health care,” involving denial of care in the name of “cost containment,” and degradation of the physical delivery system, which began most intensely under former Prime Minister Tony Blair, and is being demanded on a rush-basis right now in the U.S. by the Obama Administration, under the banner of health-care “reform.” In fact, there were blatant efforts from London over the past month, to delay and thwart the WHO from issuing a Stage 6 alert. They only succeeded in the delay.

One Briton especially disappointed with the WHO, is HMV—Her Majesty’s Virus, Prince Philip. He wrote in 1988, “In the event that I am reincarnated, I would like to return as a deadly virus, in order to contribute something to solve overpopulation. . . .” (Deutsche Press Agentur, August 1988).

The WHO announcement is a special snag for the British agenda in the U.S. As Washington insiders have said, President Obama and his controllers—economic advisor Larry Summers, Budget Director Peter Orszag, et al., have been demanding whirlwind Congressional passage of “comprehensive reform” legislation by mid-Summer, so that the President could sign it into law no later than Oct. 1—the official beginning of the influenza season—after which time, it would be harder to keep up any pretense that Hitler-style medical cuts were anything but deadly, even if Obama had some last vestige of popularity to parlay.

Lyndon LaRouche said, of the intent of all this con-
vincing, “The Obama Administration is trying to cover up its problem. It’s trying to suppress this information until October. The Obama Administration is engaged in

a cover-up because that’s what they do—this is a cover-up Administration. They cover up more so than any Administration in modern times!”

Now, the reality of the pandemic is undeniable. The question posed is, how to mount defenses against the flu pandemic, and create the physical means to care for populations, not cut lives. In turn, this puts on the agenda the need to collaborate on rebuilding economic capacity at large—manufacturing, agriculture, infrastructure.

Discussion is breaking out among many governments, most prominently France, over aspects of the physical economic mobilization required to protect the national interest, under pandemic conditions.

In Italy, officials are mooting international collaboration to produce enough vaccine for global universal vaccination during the next one to two years. Over 13 billion doses would be required. The constraints to producing mass supplies of vaccines, and also of anti-viral medications, are huge—both the physical production facilities and expertise, as well as the dominance of the cartel of commercial pharmaceutical companies. But these are the relevant matters to take up among nations.

All of this begs the question, as LaRouche put it before the world community in July 2007, when he pronounced that the financial crash/economic breakdown process was underway, that there must be a four-power initiative (among the United States, Russia, India, and China) to stabilize the world currency situation, jettison bad speculation-based debt, conduct a bankruptcy-style financial reorganization, and issue credits to launch a physical re-building boom, or else. Now the time of “or else” has come.

Highest Pandemic Alert

Dr. Margaret Chan, director of the WHO, in announcing her Stage 6 Alert declaration, said that H1N1 is the “first pandemic of the 21st Century.” She said that her officials had reached a “unanimous decision” based on the “indisputable evidence that we are at the beginning days of a global pandemic caused by the new H1N1 virus.”

As of the day of her announcement, some 28,000 laboratory-confirmed cases were reported in 74 countries, with 141 deaths. They are increasing rapidly. There are four areas of autonomous transmission: North America, South America, Australia, and Asia. In the Southern Hemisphere, where the Wintertime “normal”



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High-risk citizens line up for flu shoots in Leesburg, Va., during the 2004 epidemic. Today, the reality of the (A)H1N1 flu pandemic is undeniable; now, the question is, how to mobilize governments to stop it.

influenza season is beginning, the new H1N1 has taken off in Chile and Australia.

The pattern of outbreak in Chile is exemplary. Over the 48 hours of June 5 and 6, the number of cases in the country *more than doubled*, from 393 to 890. As of that time, all three Chileans who had died, were residents in the southern city of Puerto Montt, which also had the cases that were the most severe. Puerto Montt is located in the rainy southern lakes region, where the peak of the flu season usually comes a month earlier than in the capital Santiago. As of mid-June, the proportion of cases in this southern region was twice that of Santiago, with far greater severity. The fear was that the rest of the country, and the Southern Cone generally, would shortly get hit very hard with more, and severe cases.

There are many dramatic instances of attempted containment, as the infection now travels the globe. In Hong Kong on June 11, the same day as the WHO Stage 6 Alert was announced, all primary schools and pre-schools were closed, affecting 500,000 children. This came about when the first case of the flu contracted locally was discovered. Within days, 12 children were found to be infected. The closure will remain at least two weeks.

The situation in Egypt presents special concern. There, as well as in Asia, the potential “mixing bowl” effect of genetic-crosses between H1N1 and H5N1 (avian flu) is much to be feared. That might result in a new microbe, more deadly and more transmissible than either of those current flu strains. In early June, the government announced two new cases of humans infected with avian flu. According to the WHO, out of the 78 cases of people infected in Egypt with H5N1, 28 have died.

France Calls for Action

In France, the central government and private sector medical experts are calling for major public health initiatives.

On June 9, at a press conference of the French Society of Critical Care Medicine (SRLF), Prof. Bernard Regnier, a top French health official, who was part of the leadership in France in 2006 to respond to the avian flu, said that he is now mandated by the government to develop an emergency plan capable of doubling the number of hospital beds from 250,000 to 500,000, at minimum, in case the influenza pandemic hits later this year. This will mean a doubling of the beds-per-thousand persons in France, from 3.2 to more than 7 (**Table 1**).

Another speaker at the press conference, Prof. Bertrand Guidet, who heads the SRLF, showed detailed plans for how hospitals will be subdivided into heavy contagious (red) areas and less contagious (yellow) areas to maximize medical resources.

TABLE 1

Current Ratios of Hospital Beds and Physicians

(Selected Nations, per 1,000 Population)

| | Acute Care Beds* | Physicians* |
|----------------------|------------------|-------------|
| North America | | |
| Mexico | 1.0 | 1.9 |
| United States | 2.7 | 2.4 |
| Europe | | |
| France | 3.7 | 3.4 |
| Germany | 6.2 | 3.5 |
| Italy | 3.3 | 3.7 |
| U.K. | 2.2 | 2.5 |
| Australia | 3.5 | 2.8 |
| Asia | | |
| Japan | 8.2 | 2.1 |

* Data are from the last available years, 2001-05.

Source: "Health Care Reform in the United States," OECD Economics Department (Working Paper No. 665), February 2009.

Table 1 shows ratios of beds and doctors per thousand persons for various countries, according to a recent report by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development. Mexico—the apparent starting site for the pandemic—has only 1.0 beds, and 1.0 physicians per thousand. In Africa the ratios are so low as to be meaningless. This indicates the scale of emergency measures and international collaboration required.

But in the United States, even mention of hospitals and ratios of infrastructure have been almost taboo, under the pall of the Obama Nazi-medicine "reform" campaign. Nationwide, there is now a ratio of barely 2.7 beds per thousand persons; this is falling, and is even below that in dozens of U.S. counties and cities. But Health and Human Services Department Secretary Kathleen Sebelius said, on May 28, "I don't know anything about hospitals," when, at a press conference on advocating poverty clinics, she was asked by *EIR* to comment on the dangerous trend of U.S. hospitals shutting down.

In France, contingency arrangements are under discussion about how, for example, to deal with the prospect of hospital and other emergency staff being infected, or kept out of work because of family and community members infected. There is planning for prioritizing certain groupings to receive vaccination and anti-viral medications. At the June 9 press conference, Dr. Regnier gave details of what can be done, identifying how "sensitive" the issue is, given that young people are the most vulnerable cohort to the virus

at the moment. *EIR* correspondent Karel Vereycken reiterated the point that, "biological triage would mean reviving Hitler's medical program of 1939. Instead, while risk groups are an issue, the core of thinking should go to preserve the vital functions of states."

British Globalist Obstruction

This is the kind of discussion, and potential initiative that British globalist interests are attempting to squash. At the May 18-19 annual WHO conference, then-British Health Secretary Alan Johnson demanded that the WHO *not* raise the Alert to Level 6, and succeeded in stalling things. Among other points, he argued that an alarm would be detrimental to free trade and tourism. That delay of three weeks can be measured in tens of thousands of lives that may be lost. Now Johnson has been named Home Secretary.

Next, the British government under-reported the number of H1N1 cases, listing 675 as of June 10. As AP reported that day, "some outside health officials believe the country is not looking very hard for swine flu in recent weeks. Britain's Health Protection Agency denies that swine flu is established in communities, but some health officials have published reports showing the virus is so widespread it is being exported to other countries." On June 10, French Interior Minister Michèle Alliot-Marie opened a press conference by stating that, because of the "developments" in the U.K., France would start taking the same sanitation precautions for travellers entering from Britain, as for those coming in from Mexico and the U.S.

On June 11, Dr. Chan replied to an AP reporter's question about whether Britain was inaccurately reporting its H1N1 cases, by saying that the WHO Stage 6 alert "might have been made much earlier if WHO had [had] more accurate information about swine flu's rising sweep through Europe."

Dr. Chan stressed that, given the Stage 6 alert, governments should switch from a containment policy, to a mitigation policy, because of the widespread transmission taking place. Nevertheless, the British Health Protection Agency continued to prevaricate; it asserted that the British Isles had no "sustained" transmission.

In direct contradiction, Nicola Sturgeon, the Health Minister of Scotland, said June 11 that the London flu containment policy has been a dismal failure. She said Scotland will break, and pursue a strategy to mitigate the virus's spread.

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Swine Flu in New Pattern: Will It Turn Deadly?

by Laurence Hecht

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June 18—Something halfway between living and dead, and so small that 500 million of them could fit on the head of a pin, may be about to change world history, forever. (And, no, we don't mean the brains of the present Congress and Administration.)

In separate announcements over the past two weeks, two of the world's leading authorities on pandemic influenza noted that the H1N1 virus (swine flu) is no longer following a seasonal pattern. Human cases of the virus, which should have been disappearing from the Northern Hemisphere as Summer rolled in, were, instead, increasing. The persistence or increase of cases in Minnesota, New York, and New England was noted by Dr. Michael T. Osterholm, a world-renowned infectious disease specialist, and former special advisor on bioterrorism to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, in an interview published in the *New York Times* June 12.

Such persistence is one of the warning signs that a virus, a constantly changing entity, may be becoming more deadly. A similar pattern was also seen in previous pandemics, such as 1957, and the 1918 flu, which may have killed as many as 100 million worldwide, in less than a year. There is no question now that we are in the midst of an influenza pandemic, as the World Health Organization declaration of June 11 made official. The big question is whether and when this new strain of virus may mutate, or re-assort into a

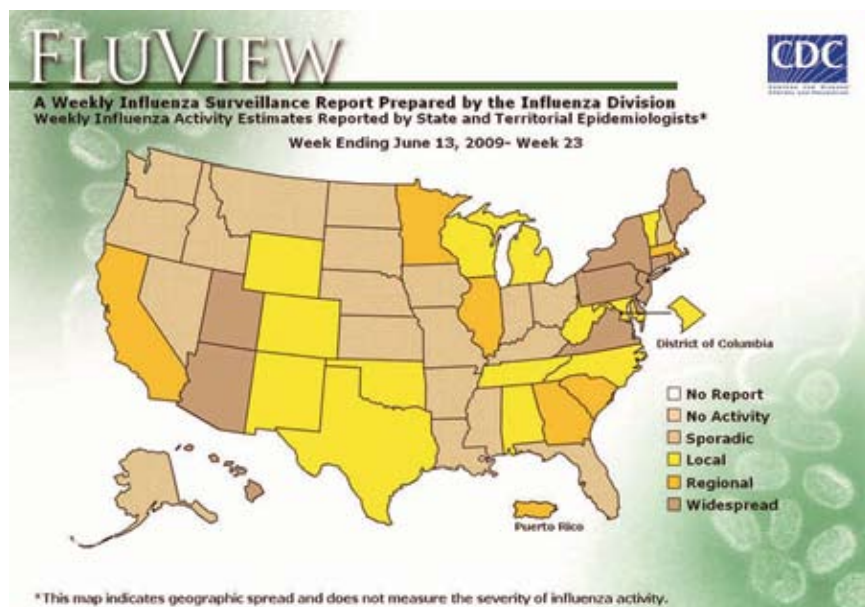
deadly new version, that could wreak havoc on unprotected populations.

A Warning from the Pasteur Institute

A week before the Osterholm warning, Dr. Sylvie van der Werf, director of a research unit at France's Pasteur Institute, described the non-seasonal behavior of the new H1N1 virus as a serious threat, and called for universal vaccination. (France is already preparing to vaccinate its entire population.) Usually, influenza spreads in Autumn and Winter, Dr. van der Werf noted, but the current virus is spreading in the United States and Canada while these countries are in Spring and early Summer. We're not in normal conditions of virus transmission, she said, in an interview with the French daily *Le Figaro*.

Another anomaly van der Werf noted: Normally, a

FIGURE 1



U.S. Centers for Disease Control

new influenza virus substitutes itself for the virus of the seasonal flu. This is not taking place now. We're in an entirely new situation. We don't know if there will be one or two viruses next Autumn in France. Everything indicates that the virus will spread massively in the Northern Hemisphere. When? End of June? End of August? End of September? One cannot exclude that the virus will start circulating at an unusual time period. Therefore, vaccination of everyone has to be undertaken, in the North as well as in the South, in the rich as well in the developing countries. And in her opinion—in light of the current evolution of the disease—the sooner the better.

New outbreaks of the H1N1 flu virus this week, in seven Mexican states, added emphasis to her warning. Authorities reactivated the health alert status, and closed some elementary schools in the states of Chiapas and San Luis Potosi. These are regions of sub-tropical climate. National Health Minister José Ángel Córdova noted the discrepancy, pointing out that, normally, the flu would not be expected to stage a resurgence until the Winter. Mexico had declared a flu emergency April 23 after numerous cases of the new flu began appearing in various parts of the country. Mexico City went back to a normal “green” status on May 21, after no new infections had appeared for a week.

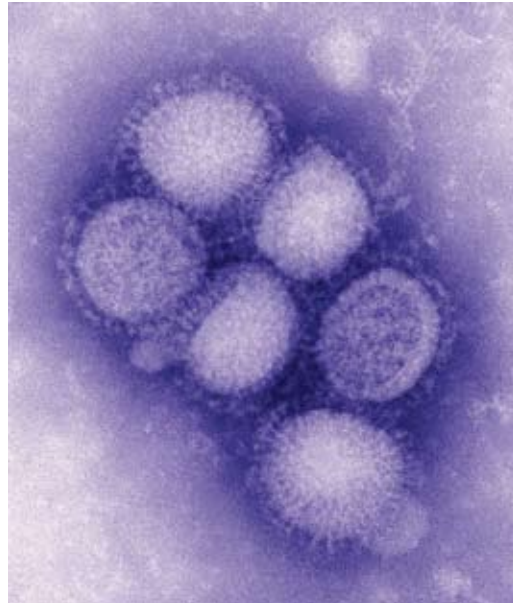
CDC Confirms It

Then, on June 18, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) announced that the flu season, which should have ended by now, is continuing in the United States. “We’re anticipating that we will see the novel H1N1 continue with activity probably all the way into our flu season in the Fall and Winter,” CDC epidemiologist Dan Jernigan said in a press conference. One of the present areas of concern is children’s Summer camps.

CDC testing now shows that 89% of the influenza virus still circulating in the United States is the new

strain, now officially known as Novel H1N1. Jernigan said the flu appears to infect about 7% of the population in the hardest hit areas of the Northeast.

“Clearly, there are hundreds of thousands of cases that have occurred in the U.S.,” he said. The number of officially confirmed cases is much lower, because confirmation requires acquisition and testing of specimens. As of June 12, the CDC reported 17,855 confirmed and probable cases and 45 deaths in the U.S.A. Worldwide, experts estimate that millions have probably been infected. But, the number of confirmed deaths attributable to the virus is under 200.



U.S. Centers for Disease Control

Electron microscope images of the H1N1 influenza virus, taken in the Centers for Disease Control Influenza Laboratory. The spike-like structures on the outside are the protein coat.

A Cause for Worry

The cause for concern was summarized in a number of new papers appearing in the *New England Journal of Medicine* over recent weeks. The argument is based on the observation of the development of previous influenza epidemics, the most serious of the past century being the deadly 1918 and the 1957 outbreaks.

An influenza virus is a continuously changing organism. One type of change is a mutation within the genome which causes

changes in the proteins produced by the virus. This could cause, for example, a change in the outer shell which might make it more difficult for the human or animal immune system to detect or defeat the virus. In another type of change, known as re-assortment, elements of other viruses can unite with the existing virus, creating a new entity.

The largest natural reservoir for viruses that end up infecting humans is the bird population. Livestock, especially pigs, provide another important reservoir. Interaction among migratory birds, livestock, and humans appears to be the usual route for development of new viruses. Several strains of such so-called triple reassortant viruses have been recently identified, using advanced genomic techniques not previously widely available.

Analysis of the strain of H1N1 virus responsible for

the present pandemic, indicates that it is made up of components of avian, swine, and human viruses that can be traced back to 1990. These combined, in about the year 2000, with two North American swine flu strains. A Eurasian swine flu strain is probably also involved.

The ability of a virus to incorporate so many variants from different animal and human populations from around the world is the real cause for worry. In a sense, the virus is a marker of the state of the human condition, and carries within it, the legacy of all previous states of the human condition. When sanitation and preventive health measures are maintained, and human and animal immunity levels are high, the likelihood of deadly pandemics, viral or bacterial, is lower. In periods of economic and social collapse, the probability of a deadly pandemic event is greatly increased.

One such time was in the aftermath of World War I, when the 1918 influenza pandemic unleashed its wrath upon the world. Another such time is now. The sudden reversal of fortunes of large, concentrated populations in Eurasia and the Southern Hemisphere, already living on the borderline of malnutrition and compromised immune states, provides just the sort of breeding ground that viruses and bacterial infection thrive on. (The UN Food and Agriculture Organization announced this week that the number of hungry people around the world, due to the global financial meltdown, now exceeds 1 billion.) The reduced access to health care in developed nations, unemployment, and declining living standards, add fuel to the fire. Migrations of populations made desperate by economic conditions, globalized agriculture, with its added opportunities for easy transmission of animal diseases across borders, the natural movement of bird populations carrying new infections, all provide paths for spread of infection.

Disease is the true marker of the state of the global physical economy. The virus or bacterium has little interest in market values. The real state of the worldwide wealth-producing capacity, and the resultant condition of its human participants, is its only interest. Within the viral genome, the history of the economic successes, and failures, of globally extended human population is written.

To a sane U.S. Presidency, such serious considerations, and the ominous warnings of leading world experts, would be cause for concern.

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Climate Change Confab

Brits Push Green Fascist Agenda

by Dean Andromidas

June 11-The creators of the fraud known as climate change are using it as a club to implement green fascism. This was the topic of a conference organized by Her Majesty's fascist Fabian Society, that proposed to seize the opportunity presented by the global economic crisis, to push their agenda. The conference brought together some of today's top Fabians, including former British Prime Minister Tony Blair; New Labour Svengali, Industry Minister Lord Peter Mandelson; and Lord Anthony Giddens, the creator of the so-called Third Way and New Labour ideologies, as well as former director of the London School of Economics and professor emeritus at the LSE's Center for the Study of Global Governance.

The conference was held on June 5 at the LSE, and sponsored by the Policy Network. It took its title, "The Politics of Climate Change," from that of a new book by Giddens. The event is one of a number of international conferences leading up to the United Nations Climate Change Conference to be held in Copenhagen in December. Although not stated openly, the policy laid out was to use the climate change scam to establish a global dictatorship. Key to accomplishing this, is the need to "de-politicize" climate change policy in order to make it more marketable.

The keynote speech was given by Blair, who laid out the blueprint for a global climate change dictatorship. He began by saying that the "economic crisis is both a reason and a way to ensure that we take the agenda of climate change forward." He then spoke of the need for a "revolutionary change in our behavior" if the world is to achieve CO₂ emission targets for 2050, emphasizing that the United States alone would have to reduce per-capita emissions to a tenth of where they stand today. He then made what he said was the principal point: that the developed world must adopt this policy, so as to be able to dictate to China, India, and the rest of the developing world, how they should or should not develop their economies. "At the very moment that the developed world decides to take the decisions nec-

essary to cut our emissions and change our behavior, we have to ensure that over a period of time, China and India and other emerging developing economies don't grow in such a way over a period of time that they simply make up the difference" of CO₂ emissions that the developed economies have managed to cut.

As an example, Blair singled out China's commitment to the greatest "industrialization the world has seen up until now," to reiterate that, "China and India are not going to take the measures we want unless we in the Western world are committed to take the measures necessary."

Blair is speaking for his controllers: the genocidal faction of the British Empire led by Prince Philip, the Queen's consort, who has publicly expressed the wish to be reincarnated as a deadly virus so that he could contribute something to reducing world population. After all, what is easier than reducing carbon emissions to a tenth of the current level by reducing population by 90%? Recall that Blair has defined himself as the crusader against the principle of the 1648 Treaty of Westphalia, which declares that peace can be achieved by sovereign national states seeking cooperation on the principle of each advancing the welfare of the other. Is Blair now laying the basis for Carbon Wars to be waged by a global Climate Change "coalition of the willing"?

Forging a New Global Consensus

Other international luminaries who addressed the conference were: the British Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change and Fabian Society member, Ed Miliband; the Foreign Minister of Norway, Jonas Gahr Store; German State Secretary at the Federal Environment Ministry, Matthias Machnig; the president of the Center for American Progress, who had headed up President Barack Obama's transition team, John Podesta; and chairman of the British Financial Services Authority, Adair Turner, who is also chairman of the U.K. Committee on Climate Change. Demonstrating the cross-party nature of the conference, were speakers Greg Clark, the Conservative Party's shadow Energy and Climate Change Secretary; Andy Atkins, executive secretary of Friends of the Earth; and Stephen Hale, director of the Green Alliance.

Although the Policy Network claims to have grown out of a Progressive Governance Network initiative of former President Bill Clinton and Tony Blair, it is a fully



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Tony Blair addresses the London conference on "The Politics of Climate Change." His theme, expressed with the usual Fabian sophistry, was that nation-states can't deal with the so-called crisis, so a supranational dictatorship is necessary.

British Fabian operation. Based in London, its president is Lord Mandelson, and its chairman is Labour Party patrician and Fabian Society member Baron Radice. Its vice chairman is Roger Liddle, former advisor to Blair, who also chaired one of the conference panels.

On the day of the conference, the Policy Network released its 134-page study, "Building a Low Carbon Future, the Politics of Climate Change." The editors included Giddens, Liddle, and Simon Latham, a researcher at the Network. The study is a guidebook on how to shape national and international economic and political policy around climate change—even if it requires a little bit of undemocratic coercion.

Three days after the London conference, three of its leading participants, Giddens, Podesta, and Dr. David Held, co-director of LSE's Center for the Study of Global Governance, participated in a similar conference in Essen, Germany, entitled "The Great Transformation" (see accompanying article).

On June 18, the Policy Network will be holding a similar conference in Washington, as part of its "Foresight Project," in cooperation with the Alfred Herrhausen Society, the International Forum of Deutsche Bank, and the Brookings Institution, which, according to the Network's website, "will provide a unique opportunity to advance the task of forging a new global consensus on the shape of the emerging world order and the role of the US within it." Climate change will be a key issue under discussion.

Global Warmers Brand Democracy An Obstacle to Their Green Fascism

by Cedric Gougeon and Elodie Viennot, LaRouche Youth Movement

What we need from scientists are estimates, presented with sufficient conservatism and plausibility but at the same time as free as possible from internal disagreements that can be exploited by political interests, that will allow us to start building a system of artificial but effective warnings, warnings which will parallel the instincts of animals who flee before the hurricane....

June 18—Thus spake anthropologist Margaret Mead at her 1975 conference, “The Atmosphere: Endangered and Endangering,” in North Carolina. Forty-four years later, on the 88th birthday of Prince Philip, these words could well have been used as the introduction to the June 8-10 conference in Essen, Germany, titled “The Great Transformation—Climate Change as Cultural Change.” The conference, organized by the Institute of Cultural Studies Institute (KWI) of Essen, was a psychological warfare weapon aimed at using pseudo-science and world dictatorship, to force people to accept deindustrialization and dramatic population reduction—all in the name of saving the planet from “global warming.”

The title of the fourth panel speaks for itself: “How Can Democracy Cope with This Climate Stress?” The conference program asserts baldly: “Democratic regimes are not well prepared for the level of participation that is required: Can free democratic societies cope with the effects of grave changes in the global climate, or might authoritarian regimes possibly be better placed to enforce the necessary measures?”

Are you shocked? You shouldn’t be! Prince Philip himself has proclaimed that the world’s population should be reduced to 2 billion (it is now 6.7 billion), a reflection of the London-centered oligarchy’s view of

man as cattle.

Fortunately, two members of the LaRouche Youth Movement (LYM) intervened at the conference to expose the real face of the Green propaganda. We circulated a leaflet on “the fraud of global warming,” and an article denouncing the role of former British Prime Minister Tony Blair in promoting the Green fascist lies and global imperial agenda.

What ‘Great Transformation’?

To set the sophisticated tone for the event, the first session was introduced by KWI psychology professor Harald Welzer, and Andreas Ersnt, deputy executive director of the Center for Environmental Systems Research, University of Kassel, on the relationship between “knowing” and “acting.” The real problem with people today, they said, is that even though they have the “knowledge” to act, they don’t act accordingly (an echo of the “behavioral economists” in the Obama Administration).

The first question, posed to the panel by a physical scientist, was directed to Welzer: “What differentiates you from the pseudo-religious group you described earlier?” The professor defended himself by saying that data were simply a question of interpretation, and that since the axiom of this conference is that man-made global warming is real, his own role is simply to study how to reconcile the gap between knowing and acting.

In response to a question from the LYM, attacking Prince Philip’s genocidal policies underlying the whole “climate change” scam, Ernst avowed that we need international agreements on population reduction. This, after the Hon. Sir Jonathon Espie Porritt, 2nd Baronet, CBE, a senior “green” advisor to British Prime Minister Gordon Brown, had called not long



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LaRouche Youth Movement organizing in Hamburg, Germany, against the global warming hoax. The sign reads, "Solidarity with Trees: 'We want more CO₂'" The LYM also intervened at the international conference in Essen, sparking outspoken criticism of the global warming fanatics from others in the audience.

ago for slashing the British population by half!¹

As tensions escalated, a Swedish member of the audience, who has conducted studies on how climate change was brought onto the Swedish political agenda, said that the panelists were doing exactly what "the Swedish government did in earlier decades, to create fear, similar to the fear of nuclear power, in order to transform society. You should remember that the Swedish Royal Academy of Sciences, in 1921, conducted studies of human skulls; the idea was to promote eugenics, in order to sterilize women with low IQs, and to reduce living standards in northern Sweden. The idea only came to Germany afterwards. These people had the idea of bringing the population down to 2 billion."

To which the moderator replied, "I would like to en-

1. London *Sunday Times*, March 22, 2009, at a conference of his Optimum Population Trust. According to the group's website: "OPT researchers have concluded that, in the absence of radical breakthroughs in energy technology, an environmentally sustainable population for the UK may be lower than 30 million if it is to be largely self-sufficient in clean energy, if continuing damage to local and global environments is to stop, and if its citizens are to enjoy an acceptable quality of life. This research is in part based on the techniques of ecological footprinting, but the key factors determining the need for population reduction in the UK and worldwide are climate change and energy requirements."

courage the next comments and questions not to open different agendas than those presented for this panel."

A German climatologist pointed out that 40% of Germans still don't buy the idea of "man-made" climate change, because there is not enough "education" on the subject. KWI director Claus Leggewie, a member of the Scientific Advisory Council on Global Environmental Questions, created by the German government at the end of 2008, accused the climatologist of political manipulation, simply for mentioning the great number of "climate skeptics."

Another scientist charged one of the panelists with presenting irrational myths about a catastrophic rise in sea levels. "Sea-level rise is a natural phenomenon," he said, "and when you talk about an ice cap which is at -45°C, it is unscientific and simply idiotic to even pretend that several degrees will make any difference." To which the poor anthropologist responded: "I'm sorry, but I'm not a scientist; I'm not competent to respond on that issue."

The End of Democracy?

Clearly, the "artificial warnings" and media catastrophism are not working on everybody, and not fast

enough, and so, according to the speakers in the fourth panel, this is proof that a democratic process will not do the job. As the conference program wrote, “Democratic regimes are not well prepared for the level of participation that is required: Can free democratic societies cope with the effects of grave changes in the global climate, or might authoritarian regimes possibly be better placed to enforce the necessary measures?”

Leggewie, feeling the temperature rising in the audience, felt compelled to reassure them that, of course, the answer to the panel’s title’s question, is that “we need more democracy, much more.”

David Held, co-director of the Centre for the Study of Global Governance at the London School of Economics, made the first presentation of the afternoon, arguing that “democratic participation has proven inefficient,” and is like “trying to square the circle of participation and effectiveness.” A confused silence followed. The first question was, “Could you clarify?” Then, LYM member Cedric Gougeon intervened: “I think you confused everyone in this room, Mr. Held. If you are so sure democracy is the only way, why did you then question it? Are you in the tradition of Margaret Thatcher, the first political figure who aggressively pushed the climate hoax, and who also expressed her great sadness upon learning of the death of her model, [Chilean dictator] Augusto Pinochet?”

Leggewie grabbed the microphone, and explained that they were only opening a “discussion” on democracy, because all decisions must be made within the next ten years, a deadline that no democracy could meet. Even a pro-environmentalist journalist took the mike to express his fear of world dictatorship, while, in private discussion, a shocked scientist referred to the *Brave New World* of British fascist Aldous Huxley.

Promoting Blair’s New Imperialism

The stars of the closing panel, “Road Conditions on the Transatlantic Climate Bridge,” were Obama transition team chairman John Podesta and Prof. Lord Anthony Giddens, former director of the London School of Economics, and a guru of Tony Blair. On June 5, the two speakers were featured at a climate conference in London, that was addressed by Blair himself, who called for the reduction of CO₂ emissions by 90%, through a “revolutionary change” in the way things are run—i.e., Blair’s new imperialism. (See accompanying article.)

The Essen panel posited the need to end national sovereignty, in order to deal with the “climate prob-

lem.” Giddens declared that “a new mixture of hard-headed geopolitical realism and post-industrial utopianism” was necessary, forecasting the next conflict as between China and the U.S.A. Prof. Michael Werz of Georgetown University said that the “melting” of the Arctic is opening more sea access to Russia, which he saw as a threat that will start a battle over water rights. Similarly, climate change is making water in North Africa scarcer, extending the European Union’s territorial security concerns to the Sahara. He concluded that the role of the military in civilian society should be taken much more seriously.

Others focussed on U.S. policies, with President Obama as their great hope. Bill Antholis, managing director of the Brookings Institution, quoted Sir Winston Churchill, “We can always count on America to do the right thing, after it has exhausted all the other possibilities.”

Podesta laid out a plan for climate-change “reforms” in the United States: first, pass the Waxman-Markey green energy bill in the House; then, start to negotiate for the Copenhagen summit; then, confront the Senate (which wouldn’t have the necessary votes otherwise) with a *fait accompli*. In private discussion with Giddens and Held, the latter revealed that, “overpopulation” is the specter lurking behind all of these discussions, and that China is an example of rigorous control—“hopefully, the global government won’t decide directly for you how many children you can have, but. . . .”

The concluding remarks of Leggewie aptly summed up this psycho-warfare nightmare: “For the first time in human history, people are gathering and examining something which they don’t see, smell, or taste, which is not affecting them right now. The parallel we can draw, in a secular way, is the focus on the afterlife. We have the churches of the Climate Change religion, with our preachers, as we heard them here, and the fear of Judgment Day.”

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Bertrand Russell Reaches from the Grave

There is no individual more relevant to the civilization-threatening crises which are now engulfing the planet, than Lord Bertrand Russell, arguably the most evil man of the 20th Century. Patriots of every nation, from the United States to Iran, ignore this grey eminence at their peril.

Start with the potentially most devastating scourge, the pandemic flu that began in Mexico this Spring. There is no evidence as yet that this flu virus, which is spreading rapidly from nation to nation, was deliberately concocted by mad, genocidal scientists. However, both the “greenie” policies of de-industrialization and population reduction, and the health-care policies which the Obama Administration, among others internationally, has imported from London, are, knowingly or not, creating the conditions of reduced health-care capabilities which are “necessary” to promote the flu epidemic’s ability to slaughter billions across the globe.

Russell was explicit about his genocidal intent in his 1951 *Impact of Science on Society*:

“At present the population of the world is increasing at about 58,000 per diem. War, so far, has had no very great effect on this increase ... but perhaps bacteriological war may prove effective. If a Black Death could spread throughout the world once in every generation, survivors could procreate freely without making the world too full. The state of affairs might be unpleasant, but what of it?”

You think that people who think so evilly couldn’t be determining policy today? You’re a fool. Since the time of John F. Kennedy’s assassination, our world’s culture has been rotted out by the very anti-population, anti-science ideology that Russell played a crucial role in setting into

motion. The entire “environmentalist” establishment, topped by Prince Philip (“I want to be reincarnated as a deadly virus”), acts on Russell’s assumptions, as they move to kill life-saving technologies and policies.

The ardent anti-American genocidalist Russell did not confine himself to dreams of bacteriological warfare. He was also a devotee of the classical British imperial strategy—that of setting up wars between any potential challengers to British global hegemony. This self-proclaimed pacifist wanted to keep Britain out of wars, but he tirelessly worked toward destruction of nation-states, through fostering conflicts among them.

This Russell policy continues among the British imperial elite who are dominating the thinking of today’s governments. A crucial case in point is the situation in Southwest Asia, and specifically, Iran. As the Iranian government has begun to aggressively point out, British intelligence has played a pivotal role in exacerbating the conflict around the recent elections. To what purpose? To the Russellian purpose of sowing chaos and depopulation throughout the region, from Israel/Palestine through to Pakistan and Afghanistan, and then India—thus destroying the potential for pulling together the international combination led by Russia, the U.S., India, and China, which could stabilize the world economy, and neutralize the Empire.

How to banish Russell’s ghost? Take a lesson from Lyndon LaRouche, who ended his recent paper, “Economy for Scientists, Economic Science, in Short” (*EIR*, June 19) by identifying Russell’s role, and concluding: “If mankind is to reach the stars, that is the thought, in memory of the like of our great hero, President Franklin Roosevelt, which you must now remember.”

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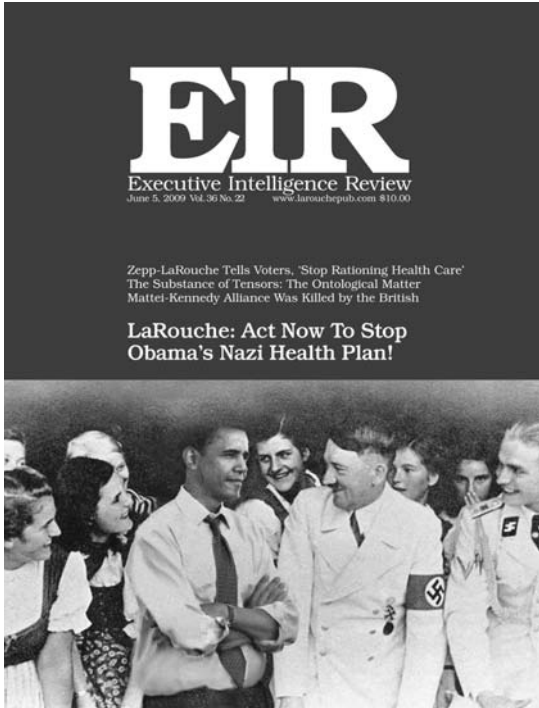
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