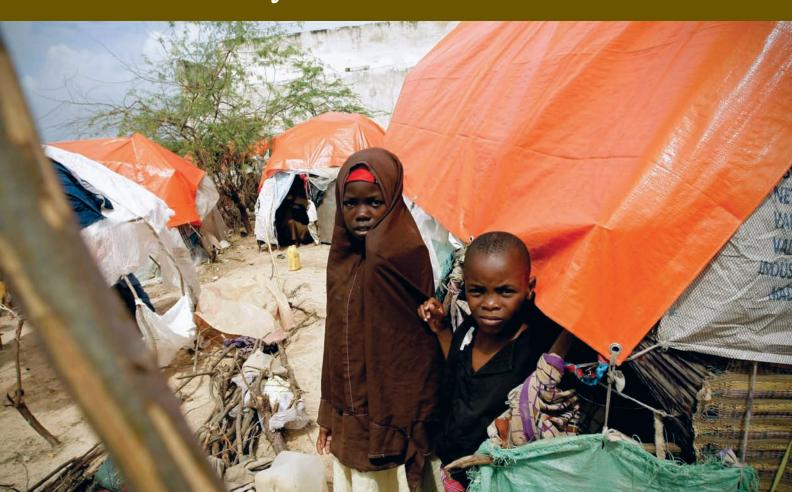


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From the Managing Editor

As we were wrapping up this issue, the image that came to mind was that of the characters in Boccaccio's *Decameron*, as they sat on a hill above Florence, telling stories, from what they thought was a safe distance from the city, which was, among many others of the time, decimated by the 14th Century Black Death. Boccaccio was writing in the middle of that century, in which a New Dark Age had descended on Europe, just as today, a Dark Age threatens to engulf our own civilization, this time, on a global scale.

This week's issue presents a sober view of the situation we face, as reflected in our cover photo. In the *Feature*, Lyndon LaRouche reflects on the unwillingness of so many to face reality: "We are looking at a breakdown crisis which has planet-wide, immediate implications. And all those people, who think there are little solutions on the way up there, or little things that can be worked out, or ways to postpone the crisis, are idiots!... We do not produce enough, presently, to sustain people, in terms of the immediate needs of mankind!"

That LaRouche is right is borne out by the reality—from Texas to the Horn of Africa—that there is a breakdown of our ability to produce enough food to feed even the U.S. population, not to mention the tragically neglected people of Africa. In *Economics* you will read about disastrous conditions in the U.S. farmbelt, including in Texas, where cattle ranchers face the worst disaster in memory, all as the Obama Administration averts its gaze, while toadying to the London and Wall Street predators. And in *International*, you will find Helga Zepp-LaRouche's appeal to the governments of Europe to abandon their mad pursuit of some monetarist panacea to the deepening crisis, and instead, to immediately adopt a Glass-Steagall-type credit and banking system.

There is a glimmer of hope in this rather bleak picture: The voices calling for Obama's ouster, while they have not yet reached a crescendo, are growing louder and more insistent. See "There Is a Growing Drumbeat for Obama's Ouster," in *National* for a report.

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The Only Solution Is To Fire Obama; Restore Glass-Steagall

Lyndon LaRouche opened the LPAC-TV Weekly Report¹ on Aug. 11 with the following remarks.

We had an event, yesterday, a diplomatic event in Washington, D.C. The most significant part of that event is obviously the thing that was least on the schedule, and that is, as most of the diplomats there indicated, they have no comprehension of what the world situation is, or their immediate situation, right now. They're all trapped in a fantasy-land, which presumes that things aren't as bad as they are, a gross underestimation of the crisis which faces humanity now. For example, what we're dealing with immediately is the threat of, say, as early as Saturday, there could be a collapse of the entire world system, a chain-reaction collapse. We're on the edge now, of the decisions which will decide that. Perhaps some of these nations will be frightened enough not to do the stupid thing, the absolutely stupid thing, but none of them will be bright enough to know what to do, to be successful, in dealing with it.

And that's the mission before us. And that's the subject of the discussion here, today....

We are in a general breakdown crisis. And anyone who thinks there is not a general breakdown crisis, who does not think there's an immediate collapse of civilization, beginning in the trans-Atlantic region and ex-

tended to the rest of the world: We are looking at a breakdown crisis which has planet-wide, immediate implications. And all those people, who think there are little solutions on the way up there, or little things that can be worked out, or ways to postpone the crisis, are idiots!

We're now in a breakdown crisis. We do not produce enough, presently, to sustain people, in terms of the immediate needs of mankind! This is true in the United States, as in food supplies for the coming year; this is true in Europe; this is true in much of the rest of the world, they just don't know it. Their ignorance of reality is what seizes them and controls them, and controls their fate. That's where we are.

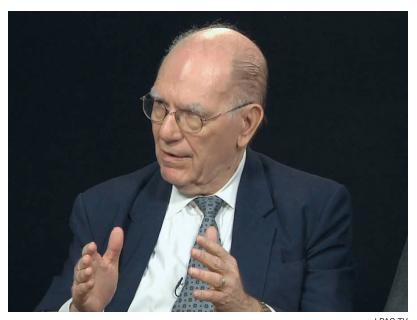
A Lack of Willingness To Comprehend

We had a diplomatic session, in Washington yesterday, and that is what we found. It was the largest diplomatic turnout we've had—and among all these people, there was a general expression of absolute confusion and misunderstanding of what the world situation is.

This, of course, is helped by the press, and similar kinds of things. It's helped by the politicians: Our politicians, generally are absolute idiots; there are a few exceptions. But the Democratic Party, the Republican Party—the main body of them are absolute idiots. They have no comprehension, and *they lack the willingness* to com-

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LaRouche challenged his audience to leave whatever fantasy-land they are

living in, and to join him in rescuing civilization from its plunge into Hell.

prehend! They lack the *willingness* to understand the crisis! They lack the *willingness* to face reality! And this is typically a Boomer problem. They will not face reality: The entire system is now coming down. If there's not a radical and sudden change in direction, civilization is going under.

It can go under now. It can go under, who knows what day? Who knows how soon? But the potential for an immediate collapse exists *this week*: It came into existence on Sunday [Aug. 7], when everything was set up for a general breakdown crisis of the entire international financial-monetary system. And in all the governments of the world, there's not one which has shown understanding of the nature of this crisis. And therefore, what we have to say here—even though we may be regarded as a small voice in the world—it's probably the only thing that's worth hearing at this time.

The whole thing is coming down. Everyone in government is generally, more or less, a fool. They're in a state of denial, and that's the kind of question we have to take up today. Because somebody has got to speak the truth, when you're on the edge of a potential slide into Hell. *And that time is now*. We don't know when it would happen; we don't know if it would happen at some particular time, or in some way or another. We *do* know what the potential is. We do know that under present principles, under present guiding policies of the governments of the world, there is no chance for the

survival of humanity. And only if there is a change, of the relevant type, will mankind come out of this thing safely.

And Hell is beginning now. We entered Hell this week. That question, when you begin to feel the heat, is the only question, and why.

And that's what we face. And we've got to get ourselves up to scratch on this level. Don't talk about this solution, that solution, this solution—forget it! It's very simple: What has to be done, is simply to put the entire financial-monetary system through a breakdown crisis, a managed breakdown crisis, in which, first of all, Glass-Steagall is essential.

Without Glass-Steagall and without firing the President of the United States, there's no chance for civilization. This man has to be thrown out of office now! If he is *not* thrown out of office, very soon, there's

no chance for humanity! Because he's jamming up the works under British control. The only thing we have in our favor, is that some of the Europeans, including some of the British, realize what they're doing: They're gambling with extinction. Not extinction now, but a process that leads to extinction.

And therefore, that's the question we have to take up now, the question I posed yesterday.

Denial of Reality

I saw, in that group of diplomats, there, I saw complete consternation, complete denial of reality, complete ignorance of reality! Which reflects the fact that the governments of the world are not in reality. They're in a fantasy-land. And the time has come when it's all coming down. Unless we can reverse it—and it can be reversed, by the right decision: Fire Obama! Get him out of there! We have all the grounds for doing so! If we don't get him out of there, you will not find a political force capable of removing him and removing his policy. If you don't throw him out, no United States! That's where it stands. He has to be thrown out now, and there are grounds for doing so; several procedures exist. That's where we stand.

Which means there's a change in thinking among the political forces, the leading political forces, in the United States, among other places, as well as in Europe. And it has to be a change *from what they think*. It will

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not be a negotiation with them, on compromise! There *is* no compromise.

Glass-Steagall is indispensable; it is not the solution: It's the *precondition* for the solution! And the precondition is to junk, entirely, the so-called Green movement. That's the problem. The Green movement is what's killing us; it's killing humanity. If you don't throw the Green movement out, if you don't throw Obama out *now*, you're not going to have civilization!

So, you don't have a right to negotiate this, because if you don't come up with the right answer, there is no civilization. Therefore, if you don't agree with what I'm indicating *has* to be done, your ideas are worthless; you're self-doomed by your own folly. It's come to that point: The habits you've acquired, the people out there, the habits they've acquired, are the thing that dooms them. And it's those habits, that kind of thinking, which must be thrown out the window, to get back to the American System, and what the American System represented under Franklin Roosevelt and similar kinds of leaders.

Without doing that now, without cleaning up the act now, in that way, there's no chance: You've come to the end of the line, and the decisions you make now will be either salvation or doom.

A Mission for Two Generations

We Are Now the Only Hope For Humanity as a Whole

Lyndon LaRouche gave this presentation to a private luncheon in Washington, D.C., on Aug. 10, 2011.

As many of you suspect or know, we are now faced with the greatest crisis in the history of modern man. There's nothing comparable to it, to what we face now. There are solutions, but the question is, will the solutions be tolerated, or accepted?

There are two generations in the United States which are interesting; the others are a little bit less than interesting. One is the older generation, which I have the privilege of representing, probably being the oldest person here, and therefore, I'm still standing and fighting, and that's a good sign in itself. The other thing is, we have a younger generation, which is generally in the range of 25 to 50 or so, and among them, you will find people who are a little less well-informed than we were in my generation, but who have a spirit of trying to conquer these problems, as I've seen.

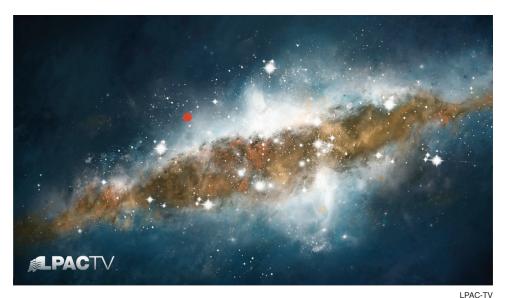
And then, we have a middle generation, the Baby-Boomer generation, which is the victim of what happened with the assassination of John F. Kennedy and his brother, who were murdered, because John was op-

posed to the war in Indo-China, and the only way they were going to get that war in Indo-China, was to kill John F. Kennedy. And they weren't content with that, just in case his brother was going to be effective, and the brother was about to be nominated as a candidate for President, to succeed his brother. At that point, that in-between generation—what we call the Baby-Boomer generation today—collapsed. They sometimes have good ideas, but they have no practice to match it, if they have good ideas.

So we're stuck with a situation where we're dealing with a younger generation, that, particularly between the ages of, say, 25 to 50 or so, and they will tend, among them, to fight, show some degree of competence, some degree of effort to succeed. The older generation, the Boomer generation, is largely discouraged, even though some of them have interesting ideas and valid judgment, their ability to act on that judgment is zero. They're not a generation one would want to take to war, if you were in command of anything, because they will always vacillate, always vacillate, always fail.

As we see, we have a so-called environmentalist movement in Europe, in the trans-Atlantic region: You

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Humanity is the only species capable of willful creativity, such that it can potentially overcome the kind of mass kills that have wiped out 98% of the species that have lived on the planet. The Earth is now moving into a position in the galaxy where another mass kill can be expected (see http://larouchepac.com/space).

will find that among Boomers, as they're called—the Boomers do not have the courage to do anything about concerns; they will always be deferential to that generation, or de-generation, which is called environmentalist. And the environmentalist generation is one of the great problems of humanity today.

No Limits to Growth

What's the issue? Contrary to the popular misbelief, that the course of events is determined by a fixed limit—the whole idea of fixing the limit of growth, the whole idea of the so-called Second Law of Thermodynamics, is a complete fraud! If anyone took the care to examine the history of living processes on this planet of ours, and somewhat beyond, they would understand that you have a progress in which, of all the species of life which have ever existed on this planet Earth, during its entire existence, 98% of those forms of life, are extinct! Just like the dinosaurs: extinct.

Then you look at the other side of it: You take from say, half a billion years ago, for example, up to the present time, and you examine the record of living processes. And you find that the record is, that the order of living processes, which supersede one another in this great train, is that the order is in terms of *higher* energy-flux density; in other words, higher levels of concentration of power. Superior species! The superior species, biologically, supersede the lower order of species; that

is the general pattern of destruction of species.

Among these species, all of them, there's only one species which we can expect to survive the kills of one generation after another which becomes extinct. The only species we know ofwe don't know the full universe, so we can't tell about beyond our own galaxy; we don't know what we can find out there—but, we know that within this galaxy, insofar as we know it, the only species that's capable of surviving the series of great kills which have wiped out 98% of the forms of life, on this planet, and within the Solar System,

is mankind. Only mankind has the actually creative powers of reason, with which to discover the means, by which it can survive the periodic great kills that wipe out whole layers of species into extinction.

Therefore, the fight today, which is the underlying reason for all these crises, is that mankind has been plagued by the idea that there should be a limit to growth, a limit to progress. Only mankind has the specific ability of *voluntary creativity*, to create the conditions under which we, as our species, can survive the threats of great kills, which have wiped out 98% of the species known to us to have lived, so far today.

And therefore, we have to praise mankind, praise the advancement of science and technology, praise the application of this power to improvement of the conditions of life for mankind, and think of measures, from generation to generation, and think about the motives involved in that. What's the great motive of humanity? What is the great discouragement of humanity? The belief that the meaning of life is terminated with their death: That's the great problem.

And only when we understand mankind as a will-fully creative species, and allow that willful creativity, specific to the progress of mankind, to take over direction of our policymaking, will we be able to create the conditions, by that understanding, and by the inspiration that that understanding gives us, to create and motivate the changes in ways of thinking, away from zero

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growth, away from this degeneracy which is now prevailing, and to think again, in terms of the creativity of mankind; the promotion of the creativity of mankind; the inspiration to make discoveries, go to higher energyflux densities, as the technology for the term for this: That's the one chance for mankind we have.

A Hope within Mankind

We once had, until the assassination of Kennedy and his brother, we once had in the United States, *still*, the inspiration which led to the founding of the space program and similar kinds of great efforts. We've now crushed those efforts. We suppressed them!

We are under a tyrant, who is not really an American; he's an agent of the British Empire, which has always had this kind of policy. And we, of the nations that believe in humanity, are now the only hope for humanity as a whole. There are many of us in various countries, in the Americas, in the trans-Atlantic region; in Russia today, we see a resurgence of optimism among some circles; in China, there's a sense of optimism; in India, somewhat lesser, and so forth: There is the hope within mankind, that the development of our creative powers and the realization of them, can lead to a better condition for mankind; and can lead us to the point, which is now possible—scientifically, it's possible—we have the possibility of great advances in technology, in science and technology.

If we unleash these advantages, we can reach the point where we can create conditions of very high energy-flux density, as the term is called; we can create those conditions under which mankind will be able to *defy* the kind of mass death which threatens species during the present phase-shift in the system, in the galactic system. We're getting to the point where the Solar System is moving around, fatally, into the same position, at which the famous dinosaurs were wiped out, as if with one blow!

We, with the technology, will have the ability, if we use it, to defeat such a threat to mankind. Only mankind has the creative power of judgment, which is capable of mustering that kind of defense against the threatened extinction of the human species. So we fight as members of nations; we fight as representatives of cultures; we cooperate with one another, to bring about these changes which are necessary, now. We have to begin *now*, in order to prepare the way for the future, the great challenge which faces us, as the Solar System moves gradually around to the point that it's above the layer of

the galaxy, and the mass kills occur, because the radiation to which we're exposed, we can not defend against today, but we *could* defend against in the future, if we begin to work on that today.

And we must think of the other aspect of this, this personal social aspect of this thing: We must think of what we can do, in order to protect the human species. We have to think also, in doing that, that we do not die completely, as human beings, when we die. Because if we contribute to the process of discovery on which progress depends, if we develop the kind of educational system, and the orientation of it which this demands, we can each sense that we are participating, even as we go to death, in having made contributions to mankind which assure the continued existence and power of the human species within this galaxy. We can do that. But we have to begin. We have to commit ourselves to that method of thinking, that outlook.

It's still possible. It's possible among our younger people. It's possible among older people like me, who still have the fire left over from the World War II experience. We still remember that, we remember that passion. We remember the passion that inspired a generation which supported President Kennedy in the space program and other programs: We can still do that, but we have to begin, now! We have to reverse the trend which is carrying us toward extinction in this world.

There are nations which hope. China has hope; India has a little less hope, in this sense. There are other countries that have hope, in Asia, as elsewhere. We have to give way to the right of those who have hope, to lead us out of this darkness.

And with that, it's like some of the great conceptions of history that, on the one side, humanity is the only species that has this kind of optimism—only humanity. If we activate humanity, on behalf of humanity, we can inspire among our people those measures which are needed to produce this effect. But we have to understand, we're threatened by a great danger: We're threatened by a force of evil which says, "We have to lower our level of technology; we have to stop science; we have to have a Green policy." These are the things which are the great treason of human beings against human beings. Environmentalism is the great danger which could exterminate the human species! And we have to fight it accordingly.

We have to fight it with optimism, with an understanding that when we create something of value to future humanity, we achieve a certain kind of immortal-

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ity, not immortality in the flesh, but immortality in the consequences of what we contribute to the process of human progress.

Bringing the Nations into Harmony

We're in such a situation now: This week, for example, at this present time, coming out of Europe, and coming out of the present U.S. Administration, we have a policy which would guarantee the virtual extermination of humanity! Because the cuts that are to be made, the lower grade of production allowed, the cutting of nuclear power, the cutting of these other kinds of power on which our existence depends, the power to make great inventions, to energize them: These things are being taken away from us!

If we allow our culture now to be degraded, as the British monarchy and our funny President prescribe, we will create an irreversible situation, in which the extinction of mankind becomes probable. If we make the change now, we will not merely stop a depression, the greatest depression in modern history, globally—because China can not withstand the collapse of the trans-Atlantic system; India can not survive that; other countries can not survive that—that while the immediate danger comes from the trans-Atlantic system, the socalled European trans-Atlantic system, the danger comes from there. But if we allow that danger to explode, considering the present economic situation of the planet as a whole, we could not sustain mankind! Everybody would go into the pot, into a long dark age, and the question would be: Would we be capable, under those conditions of destruction, of ever recovering in time to save the human species?

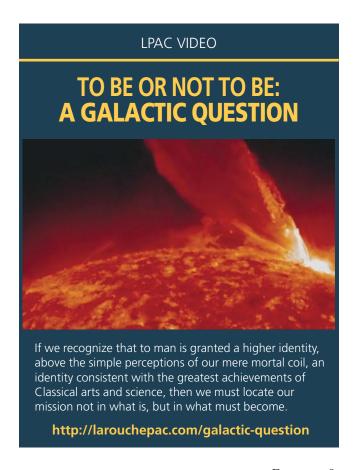
We have to love mankind, among all nations, because mankind is precious. The nations represent the cultures of mankind; they have to be brought into harmony, in terms of a fundamental common interest, the interest of the future of mankind. And that now stands before us. And that is the root of the crisis today.

There are forces in the United States, and in Europe, in particular, which are determined to bring about this great revival, the revival of death, of zero growth! If we do not stop that, mankind is doomed. That means, if we don't throw this President out of office, probably, mankind is doomed as a result! This President should be thrown out of office: He has violated many acts. He is also mentally not capable of being President, by the standard of the 25th Amendment, Section 4: That condition would result in his expulsion.

He has also committed offenses against the Constitution of the United States, which demand his expulsion from office, immediately! Immediately! If we don't get him out of office, the chances for humanity in general, are very poor.

And you see the cowardice of the leading generation: They will not take this on. And it's those of us who will take it on, on whom we depend for succor from this great threat of extinction in the future of the human species. This is the situation; this is the result of the economic trend in policymaking since the assassinations of President Kennedy and his brother, successively. *That's the issue*. Because we in the United States are crucial, because we *are* the United States. We moved out of Europe, in order to get away from this threat, this kind of threat which dominated Europe then, and still dominates Europe today. When the United States fails its specific mission, providing the alternative to the corruption of Europe, then, the world is still in trouble, today.

So, that's my point of view. Take a shot at it; see what you have to say about it.



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The Pact of the Human Soul, Part 2

This video discussion between Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., and LPAC-TV editor Alicia Cerretani took place on Aug. 9, 2011, and can be viewed at http://www.larouchepac.com/node/19036. Part 1 was published in last week's EIR.

Cerretani: Hello, this is Alicia Cerretani, and joining me is Lyndon LaRouche.

Now, we have a situation, that since Sunday [Aug. 7], has dramatically worsened. What we have in the trans-Atlantic region, which has the potential to pull the entire world down, is the death of a system, which you've been talking about for quite some time.

Now, it's the acceptance of the death of that system, which is the point at which we can turn the corner, and civilization may have a chance to survive. But the point is that, if people thought that what they were doing yesterday, they can do again today, they're kidding themselves. It doesn't matter who you are; we're living in a completely different situation. The inevitability of the collapse, the full collapse—we're in it now—but the inevitability of the full collapse is here. And if people want to turn that corner, if people want to have a viable future, doing things that even your wildest imagination couldn't dream of right now, then you have to understand that that reality is going to have to be much different than right now, what we're living today. Because what we're living in today is a hostile world for what mankind is, what human beings are.

We have a little agreement here: We have someone from the younger generation, speaking with someone from the older generation (you notice we've skipped a generation). Because, the question remains, were we to turn this corner, what do we have to know, and what do we draw strength from, were we to create a viable future?

LaRouche: All right, fine. To restate what we've been talking about: We have two conceptions of mankind, which are generally international, effectively. One is the sense of what's called the oligarchical principle: that a certain class of people, or a self-defined class of people, which we call "oligarchs," imagine that they are the keepers of animals, called "human beings."

The characteristic of the United States in particular, its formation, beginning with what happened with the Mayflower Compact, and what followed that, was to move European civilization *away* from Europe, because Europe was polluted by the oligarchical principle. So we came here, especially the Massachusetts Bay Colony, its early phase before it was crushed by the British Empire; and so, we moved here, and developed a republic, here, which had all the goodness of Europe in its intention, but was free of the European oligarchy, and similar oligarchies throughout the world. That we were the justification of humanity, and that was to be our role. That is the nature of our Constitution, contrary to our Liberals, today.

We've degenerated into a situation, in which we have essentially those who are not Liberals, usually of your generation, and of mine. In the middle ground, even while there are many good people and useful people, in the Boomer class, so-called, the Boomer class, as an institution, is a disease, not a generation; it's a de-generation.

So the point is, that we have to unite, as two generations—like people between the middle of their seventies on—and we have to collaborate together and love one another together, to this common end. Which was the end which Nicholas of Cusa, for example, defined, when, in the last years of his life, he recognized this problem. He said Europe was a hopeless situation, that we had to cross the waters of the great oceans, and find people to cross the oceans, free of the oligarchical principle's grip, and to build civilization, based on these people, which happened to turn out to be the United States.

Since that time, the oligarchy keeps reaching for us, and trying to recapture us in the United States, corrupt us and so forth, against our own true nature, against our Constitution; like the present President, who is not really an American. He's some kind of an animal, as far as we're concerned; he has none of the attributes of a true human being, but yet, this is the kind of system—he was picked to be this, by the British agents, by the British Empire.

So then, the question is, what is man's mission? If we liberate ourselves from the oligarchy, what is man's mission? And I know what man's mission is. And your generation, people like you, young people, are trying to struggle to find out exactly what that mission is.

Man's Mission on Earth

Cerretani: Well, it's difficult to find it in today's society. It's difficult to find it in the culture, in the enter-

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Alicia Cerretani and Lyndon LaRouche: a pact between two generations.

tainment, even amongst one another, it's difficult to get down to exactly what is a human being—

LaRouche: Yes!

Cerretani: And so it's difficult to have the strength to be able to craft a future for human beings.

LaRouche: That's what my devotion has been, for my life, is that. Of course, I came upon it honestly, shall we say, from ancestors who more or less accepted this. But we've lost a lot of it. What essentially happened, you had Kennedy, for example, Jack Kennedy: Jack Kennedy was probably not a perfect man, but he had a perfect devotion to becoming what would be a true man. He, among other things, fought to free the nation from participating in oligarchical wars abroad, long, oligarchical wars. These wars ruined us.

They were able to do this, only because they killed him! They killed him, in order to establish wars that would destroy the United States, by the U.S. participation. And it could not have happened, because he was a strong President; he had the full backing of a military advisor, Gen. Douglas MacArthur: They said, "No long wars in Asia for the United States, none!" And he meant it. So they killed him to get the war going, and they got the war going. And for a decade, they ruined the United States.

They were not satisfied: They took his brother, Robert; and Robert was "his brother's brother," and he was determined to renew the legacy of his assassinated brother. And so, they assassinated him, too, to give us—what? Hubert Humphrey! What a pitiful wretch he was, from Minnesota. Or, to give us Nixon, who was even worse, a horrible wretch! A miserable creature. And

Carter? A miserable creature! Reagan? He had some good passions, but was dominated by a clique that controlled him, in effect. We had Clinton, who meant to do well, and has created a legacy which is useful; even the shortcomings in his own Presidency were useful experiences.

But since that time, in the past decade, we've been destroyed, destroyed, destroyed.

The time has come, now, when we have to decide on what we're going to do, if we're going to escape this horror which faces us. The answer lies in the fact that the universe, as we know it, is always going from lower

states of organization to higher ones. It's natural. The great termination of whole species, is a product of the fact that the universe is going forward, in higher energy-flux density, always. Always to higher levels of science, levels of thought, achievement; from national, to planetwide, to Solar System-wide, to galactic. We're going that way, and we're going upward.

And mankind, as I've said before, is essentially an immortal species in nature. That we are able to pass from one generation to another, progress in the development of mankind's condition of behavior, such that we keep ahead of the danger of extinction, which seizes all other living creatures. Every kind of living creature is ultimately doomed to extinction! Mankind is the only species we know, which is capable of escaping extinction, through scientific and related progress, fundamental scientific-related progress.

As opposed to the Boomers, who accept this, especially those who are the so-called environmentalists, who are practically Satanic agents. Because they condemn man to self-destruction. They reduce man to the condition of any mere animal that's going to extinction!

And therefore, what is the policy? The policy is, we have to follow the example set by the Creator, to always improve Creation. And mankind differs from the animal in that respect: The animal has a built-in destiny. The animal species is doomed as soon as it's born, ultimately to destruction. Because it does not keep pace with the rate of progress, which the Creator demands of the universe. And therefore, our destiny lies, in that sense, in science, scientific progress as understood in that manner, and of mankind facing the challenge of dealing with the

whole Solar System; man of the "extraterrestrial imperative." We are part of the galaxy: Man dealing with the galaxy. Man looking beyond the galaxy to the other parts of the stellar system.

And that must be our policy. That essentially, what we properly call "the American patriotic tradition," is simply that. It's Christian in the sense, very specific sense, that we believe that our function is to create conditions which are advanced beyond what exists now, to create the ability of mankind to defend the human species against the kind of mass death which all other species are doomed to, ultimately. And if we adapt ourselves to that intention, we are truly what the American intention was in creating this nation; what the intention was, specifically, of Nicholas of Cusa, the great Cardinal Nicholas of Cusa, who gave us modern science, that legacy. And by adopting that legacy, and by telling our children, "This is what's awaiting you, this progress, these wonderful things, that we can create, which is our mission; that we make inventions, which we pass on when we die, and they become permanent parts of the principles on which we operate in dealing with the universe. It's that love of mankind, love of our own species and its destiny, its role in the universe, our admiration of the universe, our love of the universe, that is our playground." These qualities are what we have to restore, and reactivate among our people.

The Sense of Immortality

Cerretani: I think there are very few people, besides a handful of jerks, who would actually disagree with what you said, or not understand that what you just said is true, that that is the world that they're living in. The problem is what gets in the way of that development, and that people don't see that as real evil, as true evil: anything that gets in the way of that progress, because we're not just developing for the sake of developing.

Mankind actually has a role in the development of the entire universe. And for something to get in the way of that development, which is expressed now, as you said, as this oligarchic principle. And it has many different expressions, including this President, including what's happening right now, with the breakdown crisis and the push for hyperinflation—that's really evil, Satanical business! And people need to see it as that, and they need to fight against it, knowing that they're fighting for something that's probably much greater than themselves.

LaRouche: Mm-hmm! There's a very specific expression of this sort of thing. It's the sense of immortal-

ity: that we, when we act as scientists or great artists, poets, and so forth, we create a durable conception of what man must become, always searching to go forward, more and more. What man must become—yes, we've done this; this is good, but it's not enough, we have to do something more. Each generation must do something for the future generations.

And just like the great inventions, the great inventor who discovers a principle, when they die, that principle which they have discovered or created, lives on as a benefit to future generations of humanity: *That* is what it is to be human! Because, when we think in those terms, as opposed to so-called Liberal terms—because the Liberal doesn't believe in progress; the Liberal believes that there's nothing but pleasure and pain. That's all they believe in! They don't believe in principles. They deny principles—they say, "principles are expensive," or, "they're not oligarchical."

So this devotion, where we said, we are part of the future, in those respects that we make discoveries which change the universe for the better, our lives become immortal, even when we die, because what we have done for mankind becomes a permanent part of the organization of society. And therefore, we who die, having created, live forever as personalities in the universe, even though we're dead in the flesh. And it's that unity among generations, like my generation and your generation, as an essential unity; we know that my generation is going to die, so my generation is concerned with what it's giving to your generation. And you must, in turn, think of the generation that follows you: What are you going to do, to change the universe for the better? Instead of this pleasure/pain principle. We will endure pain, for the sake of progress. We will die, happily, if we think that we, in our generation, have made a contribution with our lives, to the future.

And that is the only moral view of mankind: We are a special being. We can create circumstances where the animal can not. The animal has to operate on the basis of what's built into its nature. We can change our nature through scientific and related discoveries, like great poetry, which gives us a vision of the human mind, the creative powers of the human mind.

Cerretani: Mm-hmm.

LaRouche: So we have immortality, as our policy: That we will all die, but what we represent as humanity will live forever. And what we do in the course of dying, is we contribute the building blocks for those that come after us.

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The 'Safest' Place for Mankind

Cerretani: Let me ask you this, then. This may be a provocative question, but, then, what you're saying is that, in a period of time like this, it's not enough just to say, "Support Glass-Steagall"; it's not just enough to want to shut down the investment banking system; it's not just enough to be rooting for a particular policy, because that's not really the true fabric of what changes history. You actually have to have a much more profound sense of yourself, and not just be "for" something or in agreement with something, or hope for the best for something. But you actually have to act on it.

LaRouche: You look at the German rocket scientists, and their American partners, and other similar—in the Soviet Union, for example, the former Soviet Union, there was some of the same thing: The idea of space was not the idea of space, it was the "extraterrestrial imperative," as it was described at that point. And we have not only an extraterrestrial imperative; we have the same kind of thing, with respect to everything in the universe: We are delighted by the universe! We're delighted by its power, its progress, its changes. We are delighted by our ability to do something to change it. We take pride—as we used to take pride. The grandfather says to the grandson, "I built that, I was part of it!" And the grandson looked at the grandfather, and was admiring, "I guess you did something, Granddad!"

And so, it's that simple expression, which is a simple expression of a very profound principle: The nature of humanity is our *creativity*, our ability to create states of nature which do not exist before our hand is put to it. And it's that emotion, from generation to generation, from my generation to your generation—skipping the problem in between—that is our motive! The love expressed by that motive, that's what's important! That's the true principle of our Constitution. That's the true principle of *what we are*, as opposed to all this junk which people buy into.

And love of other people, what they can do! Love of what a child is able to discover. You know, the parents, the grandparents, delighted by this child who made this discovery. And they're ecstatic over the thing: "This is good! This is good!" And it's that sense that we require.

And we have to express that, by actually doing things that will bring mankind into a safer condition for mankind, while we're exploring the universe. And we're enjoying the fact of what people did for us, in making discoveries. Enjoying the fact that we, too, are dedicated to causing these kinds of discoveries to occur, which bind us together with love, generation to generation. That's

what it really all means. Everything else is junk.

Cerretani: Seems like the safest place for mankind.

LaRouche: It is! And it's our mission in life, it's our implicit mission in life. That's what we should be dedicated to, that's the only point of view which will guide us to safety, as now, right now, so urgently needed.

Cerretani: And the future generations are watching. **LaRouche:** Yes: I feel watched. [laughs] I often feel watched.

Cerretani: I think you are!

LaRouche: By people like you, who expect the most of us.

Cerretani: Yes.

LaRouche: Sometimes, we can do it, though. And we should always try, but sometimes, we succeed.

Cerretani: Mm-hmm. All right. Anything else? **LaRouche:** No, I'm quite content. We have said

what we had to say.

Cerretani: Me, too.

LaRouche: Okay, good.

Cerretani: Thank you. Stay tuned to larouchepac. com. There will most certainly be more, where this came from.

The Extended Sensorium

The LaRouche Basement Team explores the extended powers of sense-perception, beyond the limits of the five ordinary senses. This provocative report, commissioned by Lyndon LaRouche, was featured in EIR, Feb. 4, 2011:

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BREAKDOWN CRISIS OUT OF CONTROL

Urgent Appeal for a Global Glass-Steagall System

by Helga Zepp-LaRouche

This Appeal was translated from German.

Aug. 12—It would be better if leaders found the courage to openly admit what is now obvious: The global breakdown-crisis of the financial system is out of control; it is global; there is a danger of a meltdown of the financial system and the real economy, which threatens to dwarf the Crash of 1929 and the subsequent Great Depression—and that governments have no idea what to do. Most of them have the dreadful suspicion that the European fiscal union dictated by London and the draconian austerity measures associated with it will not solve the problem, but indeed will create conditions throughout Europe such as those they are now seeing with the riots in Great Britain.

It is no wonder that we are also dealing with an unprecedented crisis of the credibility of governments, which have placed themselves at the mercy of "the markets" for the past four years, since the crisis erupted in July 2007. And instead of restraining these markets by re-regulation, they got roped in, with one "emergency" after another, to greater and greater concessions to the power of financial institutions, thereby transforming hundreds of billions of the private debt of the speculators into government debt, for which the population is now being punished, with huge austerity programs in the public budgets.

The financial sector, with one new "bailout" after another, expresses its gratitude by launching new speculative attacks, first against Greece and other EU "peripheral" states, and most recently against France and Germany, and by betting with credit default swaps (CDS) against these countries "as if the end of the world had come," according to *Handelsblatt*). At the same time, the credit downgrades of various countries by the rating agencies has produced a contraction of the completely uncontrolled so-called shadow banking, which, because of the leverage effect of credit derivatives, is causing a geometrically accelerating collapse. Ironically, it turns out that precisely the "most profitable"—and also the most risky—sector of the casino economy is the Achilles' heel of the system.

No to a European Fiscal Union

In this dramatic situation, the agents of the British Empire—whether the *Financial Times*, or European Central Bank head Jean-Claude Trichet, or European Commission President José Manuel Barroso, who, with his demand for an increase of the capital stock of the European Financial Stability Facility (EFSF), just two weeks after the July 21 EU summit, invoked a new "emergency"—are asserting that only the immediate establishment of a European economic government could stop the final collapse of the Eurozone. Only a European fiscal union would be bigger and more powerful than the markets, is the sophistical argument.

Of course, such a European economic government as was planned in the first place by the architects of the European Monetary Union—would be able to enforce,

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The Civil Rights Solidarity Movement (BüSo) rallies for a "two-tier banking system"—a Glass-Steagall system—in Berlin on Aug. 6. The European elites are as clueless about what to do about the crisis as are their American counterparts.

supposedly more effectively, precisely what "the markets" want anyway, namely the most brutal cuts, as are now being imposed on Greece, Portugal, Italy, Spain, and France—except that the states concerned would then have absolutely no veto right to protect the common good of their countries, with such already mentioned social consequences as we see in the British riots.

Such elimination of the last remnants of national sovereignty would be the last step in a whole series of violations of the national constitutions of Europe, as was confirmed yet again in the 2009 "Lisbon verdict" of the German Constitutional Court in Karlsruhe, as well as even in the EU treaties of Maastricht and Lisbon. The ECB, violating its own statutes, has, for some time, been buying up the junk bonds of bankrupt states on the secondary market—thus causing hyperinflation instead of guaranteeing the stability of the euro—and acting clearly against the interests of European states and the general welfare of the citizens.

With this attack on constitutionality, which in the U.S. is taking the form of the White House-controlled "Super Congress," de facto destroying the power of Congress, and which in Europe is taking the form of an unconstitutional EU federal state, the representatives of

this policy have deprived themselves of their own legitimacy. The evidence of their already visible failure is average youth unemployment of over 20%, which has produced a generation of the hopeless, with no future under the present system. A continuation and intensification of this policy, as would occur in a European fiscal union, would plunge the trans-Atlantic region into a new dark age, which would soon reach every nook and cranny of the Earth.

The Glass-Steagall Solution

Faced with this existential threat, there is only one way out: a global, two-tier banking system in the tradition of the U.S. Glass-Stea-

gall Act of 1933. The bill for a new Glass-Steagall Act, H.R. 1489, which was introduced by Democratic Rep. Marcy Kaptur (D-Ohio) in the U.S. House of Representatives, is now being cosponsored by 32 other Congressmen, and supported by the national trade union federation, the AFL-CIO; the National Farmers' Union (NFU); and numerous regional and local trade union and party institutions, city councils, etc.

I enumerate the necessary emergency measures:

1. All the countries of the trans-Atlantic region must adopt legislation for a two-tier banking system, based on Franklin D. Roosevelt's Glass-Steagall Act of June 16, 1933, the principles of which also existed in European countries until the early 1980s, with strict regulations under which the banking sector primarily had the character of industrial banks, and private savings could not be used for risky speculative operations.

As was the case before the repeal of Glass-Steagall in 1999 by the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, commercial banks, investment banks, and the insurance sector will have to be completely separated from each other.

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- 2. The commercial banks will have to be placed under state protection; the investment banks will have to bring their balance sheets into order on their own, without the help of tax-payers' money, which in practice means that toxic paper in the trillions will have to be written off, even if it leads to the insolvency of the banks.
- 3. Those legitimate areas from the old system that deal with the real economy or the productive lives of working people will be identified, and be held valid in the new system. Some categories of these claims will have to be frozen at first, because of complex interdependencies, and then analyzed by a state institution, valued, and honored.
- 4. A national banking system in the tradition of Alexander Hamilton must then issue long-term loans, within the new credit system, with low interest rates for productive investment purposes, which, by an emphasis on increasing energy-flux density and scientific and technical progress, will raise economic productivity.
- 5. The participating nations must immediately establish a system of fixed exchange rates.
- 6. For the reconstruction of the global economy, long-term cooperation agreements will have to be concluded among sovereign states, whose purpose will be to build well-defined infrastructure and development projects. These agreements represent *de facto* a new credit system, a New Bretton Woods system, in the tradition of Roosevelt.
- 7. Given the decades-long destruction of industrial and agricultural capacities as a result of the monetarist dogma, beneath the level required for decent living conditions for the world's current population of around 7 billion, the goal must be to achieve, through a science-driver, the next, higher platform of economic development, as Lyndon LaRouche has formulated this from the standpoint of physical economy. As an historical example, the increase in productivity achieved by President John F. Kennedy's Apollo program has lasted to the present day.

Join me in directing an urgent appeal to parliaments and governments to fulfill their constitutional duty and to protect the common good of those they represent, by adopting a two-tier banking system immediately.

Horn of Africa Food Crisis

An Avoidable Crime Against Humanity

by Douglas DeGroot

Aug. 12—Although the world has been inundated by reports of the food crisis in the Horn of Africa, the reports do not tell the full truth. Yes, 12 million people in the region are at risk of dying, and there must be rapid shipments of emergency supplies of food, but the fundamental truth is that this crisis is man-made, and could have been prevented, if the United States had not abnegated its responsibility to provide an alternative to the approach of the British financial empire, which is to reduce the population through wars, famines, and disease.

In the case of President Obama, there are already indications that he is moving to limit U.S. financial support, because it would increase the U.S. debt. For Obama, two purposeless wars and the multi-trillion-dollar bailout of his Wall Street friends take precedence over human lives in Africa.

And with the U.S. Congress proposing cuts of \$488 million to USAID in FY2012, over last year's level, the risk to the people of the Horn is greater than ever. The grim economic outlook in the United States and Europe—traditionally major aid donors—is raising fears that other sources of assistance could dry up. So far, there has been less help than during the 1992 crisis.

However, even if sufficient aid were received to save the populations in the Horn who are under threat, this would not prevent the disaster from recurring. Without infrastructural development of the region, the cycle will repeat itself.

Somalia, where the crisis is now the worst, always had a potential for water development that would have prevented the food crises that have hit that country, according to African economists who know the region well. At least as early as 1979, the World Bank had completed in-depth studies of proposals for development of irrigation projects in the Shabelle/Jubba drainage basin. The construction of irrigation projects in the

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basin between the Shabelle and Jubba rivers, both of which originate in Ethiopia—the Jubba flows all year, while, after crossing the country, the Shabelle dries up near Mogadishu during the dry season-would have prevented the successive droughts that have afflicted the area, and forced so many people to leave. Even before this most recent crisis, more Somalis lived outside the country, than in it.

Speculation; Soaring Food Prices

The other factor that is forcing so many people to flee, is the skyrocketing price of food. Because of the worldwide food shortage, and speculation in food by hedge funds and other speculators, the price of food has tripled. Pastoralists in Somalia, who would have bought food to keep themselves and their herds alive, were not able

to do so after prices tripled. So, after their herds die and they are left with nothing, people flee for camps in Kenya or Ethiopia, many going on foot. During the difficult journey, parents with small children, according to refugee testimony, sometimes have to make the agonizing decision to leave one of their children to die along the road, because trying to carry one more child would result in none of the family making it. Fifteen thousand Somalis each month flee to refugee camps in Kenya and Ethiopia, looking for food and water. The refugee camp at Dadaab, in Kenya, has been overwhelmed by an estimated 400,000 people.

The third factor forcing people to flee is a radical insurgent group, Shabaab, disguised as an Islamic group, which receives aid from British assets in the Arab Gulf, and which is training terrorists for elsewhere in Africa. Shabaab has claimed responsibility for bombings in Uganda, and Nigerian insurgents have claimed they received training in bombing from the group.

The World Bank—part of the British-run imperial monetarist system—refused to approve the irrigation projects, thereby scuttling them. At that time, a country could not get financial support for such projects with-



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Twelve million people in the Horn of Africa are at risk of dying from a combination of famine and diseasse. But the crisis is man-made and could have been prevented. It is still not too late to save millions of lives. Here, a Somali woman hands her severely malnourished child to a medical officer of the African Union Mission in Somalia (AMISOM), Mogadishu, July 15, 2011.

out World Bank approval. This was before the era of Chinese involvement in infrastructure-building in Africa.

The British imperial policy of enforced non-development is a crime against humanity. By not offering an alternative to this policy, the United States is complicit in the crime. President Franklin Roosevelt wanted a development policy, as did President John Kennedy, but since the assassination of Kennedy, that impulse has lain dormant. Instead, the British doctrine, imported by Henry Kissinger during the Nixon Presidency as National Security Study Memorandum 200 (NSSM 200), which decreed that foreign aid had to be designed so as not to promote population growth in the former colonial sector, has been the critical feature of U.S. foreign policy to this day.

The countries most at risk in the present crisis are Somalia, Kenya, and Ethiopia. South Sudan and Djibouti are also at risk. UNICEF spokeswoman Marixie Mercado said today that half a million children in Somalia alone are at imminent risk of death if food help is not available within weeks. She emphasized that chil-

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dren with compromised immune systems because of malnutrition, are more vulnerable to disease. Each day, 250 children die, according to reports.

This latest avoidable but devastating food crisis in the Horn of Africa will lead to an untold number of unnecessary deaths unless a rapid and much larger intervention of urgently food and medical care, than what is now being mounted, is organized and delivered by an emergency Army Corps of Engineers-style operation.

Cholera Stalking the Camps

If this is not done rapidly, the ugly specter of cholera will expand—181 have already died of the disease in a Mogadishu hospital, and there have been other confirmed cases elsewhere in country. Refugees crowded into confined areas are vulnerable to the spread of disease. During the upcoming rainy season, the waterborne disease could wreak havoc in the camps. Cholera is easy to treat, but the basic supplies needed—oral rehydration salts and antibiotics—are lacking. Refugee movement also spreads disease.

One hundred thousand displaced persons have arrived in Mogadishu in the last two months, looking for food. Almost one third of Somalia's 10 million people—3.2 million—are in need of immediate live-saving assistance.

Pastoralists whose existence is marginal in normal times, have to move when grass supply for livestock is exhausted. This is something that would not have been necessary with irrigation. With that advance, the pastoralists, who cultivate food for themselves when rain is sufficient, could lead a more stable existence, and raise more food.

Secretary of State Hillary Clinton proposed an additional \$17 million in aid yesterday, bringing the level of U.S. assistance to the Horn of Africa to \$508 million, but nothing substantial on the development front, aside from local self-help-style projects, which will not solve the long-term problem. The UN has requested \$2.4 billion for some 12.4 million people in the Horn of Africa it deems at risk, but this is just for short-term survival.

Shabaab insurgents withdrew most of their forces from Mogadishu this past weekend, which could open the way for food distribution in Mogadishu, although some militants remain, and there is still some fighting. The AMISOM peacekeeping force in Mogadishu re-

portedly needs an additional 8,000 soldiers, in addition to the 12,000 there now, to secure those areas Shabaab has, for now, abandoned. After the Shabaab departure, the danger becomes the possibility of conflicts between local militias and the forces of the weak provisional government.

Shabaab's withdrawal to the countryside, which it has controlled for the last four years, will make aid shipments into those areas still more difficult. The World Food Program reports that aid agencies have not been able to reach more than 2 million people in the rural areas of Somalia. Somalis in Shabaab territory in the South have been the worst hit by the food crisis, because Shabaab had blocked access to most aid organizations.

Twenty years ago, Somalia suffered a famine that was more deadly than the current one thus far—but the current one is by no means over. What has changed? The government and the opposition are different, but one generation later, we are witnessing again the mass death of Africans. What policies are being put in place to make sure that this type of human catastrophe is not repeated? Sadly, none. That is the real crime.

Will Obama Support An Attack on Sudan?

by Lawrence K. Freeman

Aug. 13—No sooner had the speeches ended on July 9, celebrating the birth of the new nation of South Sudan, than the ramping-up of an international propaganda machine calling for regime change in Khartoum began, including calls for military strikes against targets in Sudan. It has been the intention of a British-U.S. faction, led by Susan Rice, U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations, to overthrow the government of President Omar al-Bashir, since the early 1990s. After securing the split-up of Sudan, which was the largest country on the African continent, anti-Sudan forces in and outside the U.S. government, have gone into overdrive campaigning for the overthrow of the government of Sudan. It was only after President Bashir fulfilled his promise to insure a peaceful election, and independence for

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South Sudan, that this next, nastier phase of attacks against Khartoum was launched. One might be tempted to call these actions duplications, but they are much worse than that: They are evil in their goal to destroy all of Sudan.

While there are many inhibiting factors that might prevent President Obama from initiating or lending support to a "limited" military attack on Sudan, as he has done in Libya and Ivory Coast, given the complete failure of his Administration to deal with domestic and international crises, the disintegration of the economy, and his own Nero-like proclivities, such an attack cannot be ruled out.

Were military action against Sudan to occur, it would be devastating for Africa, especially for South Sudan and for the Horn, but it would also destroy whatever lingering admiration nations throughout the world still have for the once-proud American Republic.

Regime-Change Policy Wears British Label

Making false claims of genocide in South Kordofan, as they have done in Darfur, the anti-Sudan lobby is advocating, under the rubric of Tony Blair's and George Soros's doctrine of "responsibility to protect" (R2P), that Sudan be subjected to a selective bombing campaign by U.S. forces, as a necessary "humanitarian intervention." R2P asserts that *national sovereignty* is no longer a viable concept, and that outside international forces have the right to intervene, because the international community professes to know better and is more responsible. (Given what is happening in Europe and the United States today, this argument is particularly absurd.)

George Soros, through his international organizations, which include Human Rights Watch and the Open Society, has infiltrated many nations in Africa, as well as other continents, openly advocating regime change against targeted governments, allegedly on behalf of the people represented in his network of non-governmental organizations (NGOs).

Soros, who, as a teenager, collaborated with the Nazi regime that took over Hungary, by aiding in the seizure of the property of his fellow Jews, and still says he has no regrets, was later picked up by the oligarchi-

cal British Rothschild family, and has been deployed effectively an agent of the British financial empire ever since. Together with Lord Mark Malloch-Brown, formerly of the British Foreign Office and now chairman of Global Affairs for the Financial Times International, Soros was a driving force in the creation of the International Criminal Court (ICC). Although it represents no national constituency, it is a tool in the overthrow of elected national governments. It is Soros's ICC, through its stooge prosecutor, Louis Moreno-Ocampo, which indicted Sudanese President Bashir in 2009, and continues to seek his arrest today.

Inside the Obama Administration, it is Samantha Powers, who owes her career to Soros, and Susan Rice, who have been the zealots supporting the ICC and R2P, and have been credited with being the "hawks" behind the now endless bombing campaign of Libya.

John Prendergast, the so-called "human rights activist," is explicit in relying on Soros's R2P and ICC to justify his call for aerial attacks on Sudan. He wrote recently: "Now that independence [of South Sudan] has been achieved, it is time to shift the policy paradigm and deal more decisively with Khartoum ... and the 'Responsibility to Protect' doctrine should be at the core of the more assertive doctrine by the United States and broader international community." He goes on to demand that in this new paradigm of action against Khartoum, it is "imperative" for the Obama Administration to consider enforcing a no-fly zone and making "targeted strikes against government air assets." He also advocates expanding the role of the ICC.

Prendergast has the backing of Rice, who brought him into the Clinton Administration, while she was serving as Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for African Affairs from 1995-97. Prendergast, Rice, and Anthony Lake formed the core of the "regime change" faction in the Clinton Administration. It was under Rice, as Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs, that orders were given for the Aug. 20, 1998 bombing of the Al-Shifa pharmaceutical plant in Omdurman, just over the river from Khartoum, under the claim that it was being used to produce chemical weapons. Later, the U.S. admitted that it had wrongly bombed a harmless factory, in retaliation for the Aug. 7, 1998 terrorist attacks on U.S. embassies in Tanzania and Kenya, with Rice in charge of U.S. policy for Africa.

On Aug. 4, President Obama created a new inter-

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^{1.} Michele Steinberg, "Ending National Sovereignty: The British Empire Is Using 'R2P' To Destroy the U.S.," *EIR*, May 6, 2011.

agency Atrocities Prevention Board to plan preemptive actions to prevent "potential mass atrocities" around the world, or alleged genocide in Sudan. The Department of Defense is also studying how to incorporate the R2P policy into its military doctrine and is preparing for a "mass atrocity response." At a U.S. Army Peace Keeping and Stability Institute workshop in December 2010, Sudan was discussed as a possible target of this new type of military intervention.

Shrill Voices from Congress

Congressmen Chris Smith (R-N.J.) and Donald Payne (D-N.J.) have turned the House Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health and Human Rights into a sounding board for vicious and mindless diatribes against the government of Sudan. At the Aug. 4 hearing on South Kordofan, Rep. Frank Wolf (R-Va.), who is not a member of the subcommittee, but is a longtime hater of Khartoum, called the Islamic-led government of Sudan "evil-evil-evil," and compared President Bashir to Hitler. After citing Samantha Power's book, A Problem from Hell: America and the Age of Genocide, he said Bashir has to be removed. There has to be



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regime change: "There's no other way." Wolf shouted: "We should close their embassy down and force them out.... They should be expelled from our country." He ended his several-minute fulmination by demanding that the U.S. government carry out regime change now, and that "Bashir should be arrested and taken to the Hague and tried." Smith responded, "I agree 100 percent."

Smith supported the halting of normalization of U.S. relations with Sudan; and opposed its removal from the list of state sponsors of terrorism, and any relief for its \$38 billion debt.

At the hearing, Payne continued to call for strengthening the enforcement capability of the ICC to arrest President Bashir. Previously, at the June 16, 2011 hearing on South Sudan, Payne said: "I think that at some point in time we need to empower some kind of international special forces to intercede and to arrest him or to have some serious kind of intervention to bring him to justice, because this is never going to work with the manner of impunity that he goes around the world and does what he wants to do." Payne's comments were made after U.S. Special Forces killed Osama bin Laden in Pakistan.

Andrew Natsios, former Special Envoy to Sudan, has suggested that the U.S., NATO, and the European countries individually, form NATO-like alliances with South Sudan, so that any attack on South Sudan would provoke a military response from the Western powers.

Sudan, and especially South Sudan, are in a precarious situation, having been subjected to wrenching changes in their political and economic systems, at the same time that the international financial empire is crashing. The two countries must become allies, and commit themselves to a joint mission to feed Africa. This should be the foundation upon which to build future bilateral relations, which is far more important than being subjected to Western whims.² However South Sudan must be on guard not to be manipulated by those Western and African players who were keen to support the South in achieving its independence, but who intended all along to use this fragile new nation for their own evil propose of destroying the North. Their success in that aim would be incredibly destructive to the South as well.

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^{2.} Lawrence Freeman, "Two Sudans Can Become Africa's Breadbasket," EIR, July 22, 2011.

A French Mayor Views The Financial Crisis

by Daniel Heydt

Daniel Heydt is the Mayor of Bellange, in Moselle, France. He gave this speech, titled, "The Impact of the Financial Crisis on French Municipalities," to the Schiller Institute Conference, in Rüsselsheim, Germany, July 2-3. Jacques Cheminade is the leader of Solidarité et Progrès, the LaRouche movement in France, and a candidate for the French Presidential elections. Other speeches from the conference have appeared in recent issues of EIR, and all can be viewed at www. schillerinstitute.com.

My name is Daniel Heydt, and I'm the mayor of Bellange, a small village in Moselle, France. I am not used to speaking before such an impressive audience. I usually address my municipal council, which is made up of nine people! So I thank you for your understanding. Jacques Cheminade asked me to deal with the subject of the impact of the international financial crisis on French towns and villages.

My intervention is centered on three main points: I will first present my village; then speak of the current territorial reform carried out by the French state, under the official pretext that the world crisis demands cuts in spending; and finally, I will raise some considerations to think about.

But first of all, I would like to hear a round of applause for the whole assembly, because I have been really impressed, since yesterday, by the quality of everything going on here, and the work carried out by Mr. LaRouche's and Mr. Cheminade's militants who are working on all those subjects. (Applause). You deserve it, quite sincerely; I'm impressed.

Now, I would like to mention the reasons why mayors of French villages, such as myself, are sponsoring and supporting [the candidacy of] Jacques Cheminade. They are often mayors of villages, because we are not associated with party structures which could command obedience from us. The first reason that comes to mind—and I have also asked the other mayors attending, about this—is that Jacques Cheminade, for us, is

the only candidate who has presented a serious and credible program, based on the teachings of the past. And that's very important, considering that life is a perpetual beginning. So, if we learn things from history, it's always good.

In France, on the contrary, we are asked to be either on the "right" or the "left," even though the UMP [conservatives] and the PS [socialists] only propose solutions intended to further the interest of the party or, at best, the wishes of the system. And that system is only in place for the happy few, who already have everything.

Let me explain what I mean. I have been working for four years in a large company headed by a president. In the beginning of 2010, there were 700 employees. In mid-2010, we bought up a group as big as ours, with 500 employees, but which made less profit, and was less competitive. Since it was making less money than us, we bought it up. One year later, there are not 700 plus 500 employees, i.e., 1,200, but just barely 1,000 employees, and it's not over.

How does it work? You have mergers which lead to layoffs, to the benefit of just one person, the president, not the employees. Today, in 2011, our company is even more "powerful" than in 2010, so we will buy out more competitors. We're number two in France, but we want to become number one, and so on, just to make more money—and tough luck for unemployment! The Sarkozy government could have countered that situation, but of course, it did not. On the contrary, it is something that allows a person to earn much more money and to be able to finance more private interests some day.

Coming back to Jacques Cheminade, the second point that I will raise, is his credibility. He is the only one who told us, during the 2007 Presidential campaign, that an international crisis was going to hit. The only one! Unfortunately, he was right; in September 2008, the Sarkozy government was telling the French that he had not seen the crisis coming, and that we had to tighten our belts. Between you and me, he should have consulted Jacques Cheminade and not Jacques Chirac!

Thirdly, I would say that Jacques Cheminade is just common sense. I came here with a fellow mayor who is a farmer, and there is what we can call "a farmer's common sense," or being "down to earth." It involves doing sound things which work—for instance, a policy of great projects; we know that it works.

I would say that Jacques Cheminade fights, like all the other activists here, for the common good—and

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Daniel Heydt, the Mayor of Bellange, in Moselle, France, spoke at the Schiller Institute Conference on July 3.

that's important. Those are a few of the reasons why I support him and why other mayors, fortunately, also support him and are giving their signatures so that he can run in the 2012 campaign. Since I'm fortunate enough to be on the podium, I would ask you to applaud Jacques Cheminade and all his organizers (applause).

The Village of Bellange

Let's speak now about Bellange, a village of 62 inhabitants. When I became mayor, there were only 45 of us, so we produced children on a grand scale—more or less, 33% more citizens! Our small village also has four farms. One day, at the Ministry, they asked me how that was possible: 62 inhabitants and 4 farms? The Ministry didn't even know where the village was; they don't even know what a village is.

We also have another peculiarity. In 2004, we had no access to Internet in the village. But we organized an innovative project with the DATAR, a public research agency in France, which involved receiving Internet and distributing it via electrical outlets. This is called, in insider jargon, outdoor power-line communications. We do get Internet at the nearby city of 1,500 inhabit-

ants, and bring it back to the village, 6 km away, via a small WiFi antenna. And we connect it to the electrical wiring in the village. The Cultural Association of the village then provides the inhabitants with a small modem for EU10 a month. They connect the modem to the electrical outlet and are able to access the Internet. We thus share one Internet connection for the whole village, and it works well, for only EU10 a month!

Our village has 3 km of public roads, with sidewalks, etc. Our great wealth is the citizens, who volunteer to do many things in the village; they organize festivals, decorate the squares with flowers, etc. Most people have taken responsibility for their lives this way.

Territorial Reform

The French state is now carrying out a reform of the national territory in order to save money—or so it claims—after privatizing highways, water, gas, electricity, and most services for the citizens.

I already raised this problem in the case of the company where I work (but luckily for me, I only have 27 more days to go); private companies are run so as to have minimum expenses for maximum profits.

Now, the French state plans to eliminate practically half of France's villages by 2020. In exchange (what a nice term), they are imposing the creation of communities of villages, for the sole purpose of cost-efficiency. I say, this is a lie. The only effect it will have is an increase in profits for the private companies which provide services to the communities of villages. Citizens will now no longer be motivated by the village they live in, as they are today in Bellange. Citizens will be turned into voters, sitting in front of their TV sets. They won't be developing themselves, intellectually or artistically.

Let me give another example of how this works: Five years ago, garbage was collected in our village by an intercommunal assocation representing 15 villages. The price per inhabitant for garbage collection was EU29 per year. Five years later, the community of villages took over that service. And today, citizens pay EU92 per year for the same service—over three times more. This is clearly not in the interest of the citizens, who pay more so that the private companies profit.

This territorial reform will eliminate all the associations for water management and sanitation, and even for school services, although the structures work very well. Less service, and higher costs, for whom? For the citizen. To whose advantage? The private structures, as I already stated.

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Considerations

The third part of my intervention deals with proposals for several areas to reflect upon. The first applies to the village of Bellange. Practically all speakers in this conference have raised the issue of transparency. For Bellange, it is easy; it involves posting all public expenditures—the money of citizens—on the Internet.

Every citizen, anywhere in the world, can find out what the village of Bellange spends, area by area, in its global budget. We make this commitment every time we open our wallet for whatever the purchase. The day I got this idea, I must admit, I was like the hen that found an alarm clock. I marvelled at it; I was so happy! I had found the idea of the century.

After thinking it over, I said to myself: Now when I spend money for Bellange, it's not my money. I give it out easily; nobody's watching, so I can do what I want. But, if I put this on the Internet, everybody will know what I'm doing and that could be annoying. Whenever I buy something, people will know it, and they will know how much I paid for it. The citizens and inhabitants might criticize me. So I hesitated several days, but then I decided to act.

Immediately, and naturally, my behavior changed. I was forced to think about it much more before I bought anything. So I began to regulate myself. The fact that anybody and everybody can pass judgment on me changed everything.

Anyone here in this room can go to the Bellange website and see the list of expenses, and then come up and say: "Hey, Daniel, you're a nice fellow, but look at all your spending! Can you explain why you went to the restaurant?" And so forth. In Bellange, we don't have much money, but still, the fear of being criticized.... And frankly, there's nothing worse than your neighbor not saying "Good Morning" to you because he was on the website and saw something he didn't like. Therefore, I say, transparency is simple: anyone can do it, the means are available.

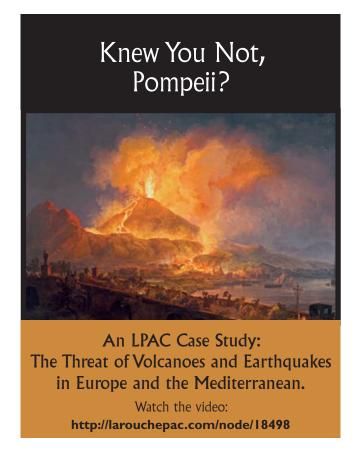
The second idea I'm considering is to limit the terms of office. I think one should not be elected more than once, and for a limited time period; it shouldn't be a career. We were talking about revolutionary ideas before, and this is one. I had trouble explaining it, but yesterday, while listening to a speech, I had this idea, and I did what you do: I looked at the past.

In any activity, there are generally three phases. The first phase is learning. How long it lasts depends on the difficulty of the activity and on one's own personality.

The second phase is a period of activity that one can call optimal, where one is the most productive, the most creative. It can last several years, depending on the activity. The third phase is a period which one associates with fatigue; you produce less and are less creative. At that point, one should leave the job to others, one should not stay in power for life. However, one can very well remain a activist!

If we don't want to say that it's our genes that make us want to stay in power, once we have it, perhaps we could blame the little devils for pushing people to hold on to power. It's not his fault, the devil made him do it! But we have to make room for the X, Y, and Z generations, and the Zs are great people. If we don't make room for them, we will have serious problems.

To conclude, I would like to say that I'm happy to have followed the proceeding here over these two days, because I have met people of a really high level, whether on the podium or in the room, and your passion is admirable. It is what allows you to accomplish exceptional feats. Bravo to all of you, and thank you for your attention.



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U.S. HARVEST PREVIEW

Under Obama, Huge Losses Of Both Food and Farming

by Marcia Merry Baker

Aug. 15—In the Northern Hemisphere in mid-August, it is possible to have a fair estimate of the size of the harvest to come from Spring plantings, as well as the size of the harvest just in the bin from Winter wheat (planted last Fall), and for North America, the prospect is terrible. All crops are down from what is needed, especially corn; the impact on livestock operations is devastating. The size of the U.S. cattle herd, for example, has shrunk to that of 50 years ago. These huge losses are a hit to the U.S. and world food chain, not just from "one bad season," but from the loss of farming capacity itself.

Look at Texas: Its Winter wheat harvest (completed in June) was 60% less than last year. Its corn crop is expected to be down by 41%; sorghum (another animal feed), down by 46%. The cotton crop—its main cash crop—is expected to come in below 43% of last year. Ranchers are, in effect, liquidating mass numbers of cattle from the state herd, which has been the biggest in the nation. In money terms—no measure any more—Texas farmers and ranchers will post their biggest annual financial loss ever this year. Many are quitting farming.

This Texas scale of agriculture damage is present in other parts of the farmbelt, in varying degrees. Texas is the epicenter of the fierce 2011 southern drought-belt, and suffering from lack of Federal intervention. But the Missouri River Basin flooding states are likewise suf-

fering, as are other parts of the country.

The damage toll is directly the result of the continuation in office of President Barack Obama, whose policies are "made in London" to serve the private financial networks associated with the crashing monetary system, and prevent its replacement with emergency measures for financial reorganization and economic rescue and rebuilding. The Obama Administration is presiding over such practices as the expansion of speculation on food commodities on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange (CME), and inaction on protecting farming from harm from weather extremes.

Moreover, the White House and Agriculture Department (USDA) are all the while promoting various let-them-eat-cake agriculture/food campaigns, such as Michelle Obama's for children to avoid getting fat, and for poor communities to get upgraded supermarkets, to counteract what the White House calls "food deserts."

The reality is that millions of Americans are jobless, homeless, and without means of existence. A record 45.8 million people are on domestic food relief—SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program), run by the USDA. Millions of these are children. Malnourished infants and toddlers are showing up in hospital emergency rooms, directly due to poverty.

Put this U.S. situation in the context of the fact that 12 million people in the Horn of Africa lack food right

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now—after 30 years of declining food output per capita on the whole continent of Africa—and the reality is clear that we face world famine, thanks to decades of monetarism, globalization and the obstruction of agroindustrial development.

This has been the intent all along of the neo-British empire networks of banks, commodities cartels, and private financial circles. Their goal is to be on top of the heap of a vastly reduced world population. The latest expression of this—in all its gory greenness—is a new report released July 20, by the Worldwide Fund for Nature and OxFam, "Resource Scarcity, Fair Shares and Development." It asserts that scarcity of food is a given, so the only question is, who will have "access" and who will not.

In line with this, is the White House/Congress treasonous enactment this month, of the "Budget Control Act of 2011" amendment, which is a dictatorship enabling measure for imposing deadly austerity on what's left of the United States.

In opposition to this destruction, farm leaders have stepped up their own participation in the urgent national campaign to enact the reinstatement of Glass-Steagall. This will be a gateway to the establishment of credit for programs of needed infrastructure to support full-scale agriculture—water, transportation, and power systems; and for the priority continental-scale project, the North American Water and Power Alliance (NAWAPA).

State leaders of the National Farmers Union, which backed Glass-Steagall in 2010, are issuing their own calls to action (see below). These and other farmers and agriculturalists know the measures required, from region to region. The task is to force the historic policy shift in Washington.

Corn Yields Down

Worldwide, total grain production (all kinds) this year is forecast by the USDA to be less than usage (for all purposes, including the insane biofuels), with an estimated 2011-12 output of 2,265 million metric tons of grain grown, while usage is 2,280 mmt (April 11 USDA World Agriculture Supply and Demand Estimates, WASDE). This makes 8 of the last 12 years, in which usage exceeded production! Stocks are being drawn down, while less is being consumed. You say this can't go on? Correct. The food isn't there. Millions of people aren't eating.

Total estimated U.S. corn and coarse grain production of all kinds (sorghum, barley, oats, etc.) is pro-

jected to be 339 mmt, down from 349 mmt two years ago.

This year's U.S. corn production per acre, on national average, will be 153 bushels, down from the the USDA (lying) July estimate of 158 bushels, down from recent years' averages, and way down from a decent Iowa yield rate of 200 bushels/acre.

Farmers say the average yield will be even worse than the 153 bushels/acre. The late plantings, the wet and/or dry (or each in succession) field conditions, the extremes of heat (or cold, in the Spring), the pollination problems, the pests, etc., are all taking their toll.

U.S. corn crop reductions are an automatic hit to the worldwide food chain. In recent years, the U.S. alone has accounted for over a third of the world's annual corn output, which is critical in the livestock feed-chain, and which has been subverted by going increasingly into ethanol. Biofuel use of corn is now at 40% of the U.S. total crop.

Speculation is going wild on the Chicago Board of Trade (CBOT), where the majority of futures traders are hedge funds and other non-corn users. Within hours of the Aug. 11 WASDE report release, corn futures (for December delivery) were driven up their daily trading limit of 30 cents, to \$7.15 a bushel Now, the daily limit will be raised to 40 cents on Aug. 20, to acommodate more gambling and price swings, because the Obama Administration approved the 40 cent rise demanded by the CME Group, which owns the Board of Trade.

Besides corn, other crops are likewise far below volumes required, and are hyperinflating in price. U.S. production of durum wheat—the prime pasta grain—is expected to come in at 57 million bushels, way down from last year's 107 million. Planted in the Spring, durum was delayed, and hampered by the wet and cold.

On Aug. 12, the Canadian Wheat Board said that its Spring wheat crop—whose harvest has begun—improved, after sunny, dry weather followed the wet planting period. But good news in Canada, or in one or another grainbelt around the world, cannot alone compensate for the overall decline in world output relative to need.

Texas Cattle Kill-Off

As of Jan. 1, the U.S. cattle herd size (all beef, dairy, and calves), totalled 92.582 million head, the lowest since 1958. The July 1 herd inventory—typically higher

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In Texas, the worst drought in decades has wiped out crops and livestock, as the Obama Administration stands by and does nothing. Here, cattle drink at a disappearing water hole, in Coke County.

because of Spring calving—was estimated to be 100 million, by the USDA, which, even if it is an unreliable count, still puts the mid-year herd size at the lowest since 1973, when the Agriculture Department began its mid-year estimate.

In Texas, with 13.3 million head—double the number of beef cattle than the next biggest state—thousands of head are now going to slaughter for lack of water, pasture, and emergency aid. July was the hottest month on record in Texas, which has experienced its worst 12-month-straight period of heat in over 100 years.

In Wise County, northwest of Dallas/Ft. Worth, for example, the Decatur Livestock Market, which typically would handle 1,200 to 1,500 head a week, now is handling over 3,000 a week. The sale barn, whose capacity is over 3,500, is asking ranchers to hold off sending more livestock, to avoid keeping the animals penned up too closely in the fierce heat.

The scorched Texas pasture is described as barren as that of Winter, because of lack of rain and high temperatures. It has no protein. The price of hay and feed have gone way up; so that, with the water shortage, the ranchers have no way to maintain their herds. On many cattle ranches, the reserve water for stock tanks was

drained by firefighters, to quell wildfires. Corn prices are 90% higher than a year ago.

Since a mature cow produces one calf a year, it will take many years to rebuild the U.S. beef cattle inventory, and that is only, provided we dump the prevailing monetarist policy, and fast.

Ranchers, agriculture extension service staff, and even USDA old hands, know what can and should be done. In the past, the Federal government moved in, to both help move livestock to temporary pastures, organize interstate "hay-lifts," and otherwise provide aid, including backing the objective of staying on the ranch and rebuild-

ing. But the Obama Administration is hands-off.

State officials are scrambling. In July, a hay hotline was established by the Texas Department of Agriculture, to help farmers find scarce supplies. Donations are being accepted to help defray the cost to desperate ranchers. The Texas Department of Transportation also recently waived all restrictions on hay bales being trucked across state lines, and within Texas. Water remains a crisis; Texas has a burn-ban in 246 out of 254 counties.

But come Sept. 1—the start of the new fiscal year in Texas—the state Department of Agriculture is cutting back on all kinds of programs, because of budget cuts. E.g., it will no longer provide to farmers daily price reports online or on hotline, for 20 of 22 cattle auctions, nor for grain sales.

As for the "markets" as such, and prices of cattle, feed, and such monetary measures, the whole situation is non-functional. For example, look at feedlots. A year ago this time, feedlots were making an average profit of \$18 per head on beef animals fattened and marketed. In June, feedlots lost an average of \$155 per head on cattle sent to slaughter, up from losing \$126 per head in May.

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Indiana NFU Tells Congress

Enact H.R. 1489; Revive Glass-Steagall

July 29—James Benham, president of the Indiana Farmers Union, a branch of the National Farmers Union (NFU), sent the following letter to three Indiana Congressmen yesterday, urging them to co-sponsor the bill to restore Glass-Steagall, as a matter of national security, and of the nation's food security:

Greetings. I serve as the President of the Indiana Farmers Union, and farm in Ripley County.

I am writing to you because of the urgent need for a policy shift nationally away from the multi-trillion-dollar financial bailouts and speculation, and a return to sound credit-banking through re-instating the Glass-Steagall law. It never should have been repealed in 1999; and last year's Dodd-Frank bill is a tragic joke.

House Bill H.R. 1489, the Return to Prudent Banking Act 2011, will re-instate Glass-Steagall and open the way for the credits and economic rebuilding we need for our farms, factories and communities, especially with the extreme weather disasters now upon us. H.R. 1489 will eliminate the trillions of dollars flowing in the federal bailout of investment banking, the single greatest cut needed in government spending. And that financial bailout is fueling the fire of the commodity speculation in Chicago.

I urge you to co-sponsor this bill this session, and enlist your colleagues to do so. This is a matter of national security, and not a party label or party line affair. The bill so far has both Republican and Democratic sponsorship, and we want action on it urgently, not over time.

The Indiana Farmers Union was formed over 50 years ago, and is a chapter of the National Farmers Union, formed in 1902, and now represents 31 states. During the policy fight in Washington, D.C. last year,



Indiana Farmers Union President James Benham

our national office issued the statement that, the "NFU has long opposed efforts to deregulate financial markets, including the repeal of the Glass-Steagall Act in 2000. Rolling back regulations which had maintained our economy removed protections from financial institutions that posed a systemic risk to our economy, allowing the crash of 2008 to happen" (May 17, 2010).

At our last two annual NFU conventions, we ratified

support for restoring the Glass-Steagall principle in banking. The following excerpt is from our "Policy of the National Farmers Union, Enacted by Delegates to the 109th Annual Convention, March 13-15, 2011," p. 78:

"ARTICLE VIII—Economic Regulation and the Family Farm....

"Section C. Bank Regulation

"From the beginnings of this country, public policy has favored a decentralized banking system, avoiding the abuses that would

come from a highly concentrated financial structure. We are concerned about recent trends in bank regulation that have accelerated the loss of independent community banks and decreased the banks desire to service agricultural credit needs. It has also reduced community reinvestment. We call for passage of a banking reform bill which mirrors the Glass-Steagall Act. With gross sales transactions in agriculture having increased over the past number of years, we urge consideration of permanently increasing the individual Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) coverage from \$100,000 to \$250,000. We support making all financial institutions aware that Too Big to Fail will not be tolerated in the future."

Our special concern now for the nation, not just for us as a farm and rural constituency, is that our food supply is now in peril because of out-of-control financial deregulation and speculation.

In April, H.R. 1489 was introduced by Rep. Marcy Kaptur of Ohio. We want it passed now. Please communicate your intentions on this to me as soon as possible.

Sincerely, Jim Benham President, Indiana Farmers Union

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There Is a Growing Drumbeat For Obama's Ouster

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Aug. 17—On Aug. 8, Kentucky Democratic State Senator Perry B. Clark issued a call for President Obama's immediate removal from office and the reinstatement of Glass-Steagall, through passage of H.R. 1489 and a parallel Senate bill. Clark's powerful statement, prompted by President Obama's pivotal role in pushing through the unconstitutional Super-Congress austerity deal days earlier, included an explicit endorsement of American statesman Lyndon LaRouche's demand that Obama immediately resign or face impeachment.

Clark charged that the debt ceiling deal, rammed through Congress with immense pressure from the City of London and Wall Street financial establishment, along with the Obama White House, was no different than the March 1933 Enabling Act that gave the Nazi Führer Adolf Hitler dictatorial powers, that only ended with the Allied defeat of the Axis Powers in World War II.

The Clark call for President Obama to step down or face impeachment immediately provoked a firestorm of media attacks, led by the local Louisville, Ky. affiliate of National Public Radio. The reaction among some other Democrats, however, was to take the Clark call with deadly seriousness. Within days of its release, the Clark call was circulating widely among Democrats throughout the country. One e-mailing of the statement featured a call for other leading Democrats to join the effort to remove President Obama from

office—before he succeeds in totally wrecking the United States.

As Clark asserted, Obama's role in the ripping up of the U.S. Constitution was a defining moment for many American patriots. Since the President signed the debt ceiling deal, his approval ratings have plunged to levels below that of Jimmy Carter, on the eve of his crushing reelection defeat by Ronald Reagan in 1980. In one Gallup poll, Obama's approval ratings fell to just 39%. According to one senior Democratic Party strategist, private polling data was far worse. According to one such poll, if Presidential elections were to take place today, Obama would lose to Republican Party frontrunner Mitt Romney by more than 20 points. Furthermore, in a recent USA Today poll, if Obama were to run against Hillary Clinton in a Democratic primary, the Secretary of State would win by 82% to 18%!

According to sources close to the Obama White House, the President is in a state of shock, and near-psychological meltdown, in the face of the recent outburst of anti-Obama venom from the American people. Obama campaign strategists have told other Democratic Party campaign operatives that they plan to launch a vicious campaign of personal attacks against Romney in the immediate days ahead. Reportedly the view among leading Democrats is that this strategy is a reflection of the sense of desperation among Obama and his top political advisors. These people—David

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EIRNS/Stuart Lewis
Kentucky State Senator Perry Clark has stirred up a hornets' nest with his call for

Axelrod, Valerie Jarrett, and the other first-tier Obama campaign officials—are clueless; and even combined, they don't have the IQ of former Bill Clinton advisor James Carville, one leading Democrat, who was privy to the campaign strategy session, told *EIR*.

Obama to resign or be impeached—and he's not backing down.

He's Gotta Go!

These belated revelations about the Obama melt-down and flagrant putsch against the Constitution don't even come close to addressing the depth of crisis reflected in the Clark and LaRouche statements. The United States is in a terminal economic and financial collapse, far beyond the depth of the Great Depression of the 1930s. There is no hope of any recovery in the United States so long as Obama remains in office. The rest of the world cannot survive the disintegration of the United States, which City of London- and Wall Streettool Obama is committed to seeing through to the bitter end of America as we know it.

For months now, liberal Democrats have been forced to criticize the President, as he has come out as the leading proponent of undermining Social Security (the payroll tax deduction), and cutting Medicare and Medicaid (an item Obama himself put on the table in the "grand bargain" negotiations with the Republicans

on the alleged debt ceiling debate). Now, some are finally realizing that they have to break with him.

One of the most stinging indictments of Nerobama comes from former Newsweek (now Daily Beast) editor and former Obama supporter William Boyles, who calls Obama the "Oval Office Although Appeaser." Obama likes to fancy himself in the image of Franklin Roosevelt or Winston Churchill (the latter of whom Boyles mistakenly views in a positive light), he is actually more like the great appeaser, British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlin. "In the 1930s, desperate to keep the peace, Chamberlain caved in to every German demand. And he got war anyway. Let me be clear: the right-wing radicals in control of the Repub-

lican Party of course are not Nazis. But Obama is like Chamberlain," maybe even worse. In Boyles' view, "Chamberlain had a weak hand and played it poorly. Obama had a strong hand and threw in his chips....

"Chamberlain did one bold thing. He finally realized he was not the right man to lead Britain in dangerous times. He resigned so that Churchill could take over. There is one bold thing Obama could and should do. He should bow out of the race for reelection and throw his support behind Hillary Clinton—the leader we should have chosen in the first place."

While Boyles' time frame is all wrong, and he is still making excuses for Obama's fascist nature, the circulation of this call will accelerate support for the mandate that Obama must be out now.

Even less bold are the so-called "Progressives" who are talking insistently about the need to find a Democrat who will challenge Obama in the Presidential primaries. A resolution to this effect actually passed at the California state Democratic convention two weekends ago, resulting in a freakout by the Obama faction in the party, which retaliated by refusing to recertify the caucus. But the talk now goes far beyond in California.

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Core Constituencies

Even Obama knows he's in trouble with his core constituencies—namely the labor movement and the African-American community. *EIR* has received reports that the President has responded by saying that he thinks these groups have "no place else to go," and therefore that he can continue with his British/Wall Street agenda without concern on that front. But there have been some shots fired across the bow.

In the black community, for example, Princeton professor, Dr. Cornel West, and talkshow host Tavis Smiley just concluded an 18-city tour, during which they blasted the President's agenda for the fact that it literally ignores the issue of poverty in the nation. West and Smiley, under pressure by paid Obama agents like Al Sharpton for "personal attacks" on the President, have softened their rhetoric a bit, but they are unambiguous that the recent budget deal by the President is an *attack* on the black community, and must be reversed.

Even more strident are other sections of the African-American community, as reflected in publications such as the Black Agenda Report (BAR). The BAR argues that Barack Obama is not the "Great Black Hope" that blacks thought he would be when they supported him in 2008. Rather, he has turned out to be the "Great Black Betrayer," who has "nothing to offer but austerity, suffering and war." So charged Glen Ford, executive director of the BAR, in his Aug. 10 article, "Obama Slipping: Black America Waking Up To The Nightmare."

BAR managing editor Bruce A. Dixon, a member of the Green Party's state committee in Georgia, agrees with Missouri Democrat Rep. Emmanuel Cleaver's characterization of the recent debt deal as a "Satan sandwich," and adds that "the master chef in that kitchen, the man who put 'entitlements on the table,' in the first place, is President Barack Obama."

Even more potentially damaging to Obama is the action brewing within the organized labor movement, which is not prepared to just sit back while Obama rams through new (job-destroying) free-trade pacts, and rips up the social safety net. On Aug. 13, the Truthout blog reported that 13 Building Trades unions, representing 2.5 million workers, plan to boycott the 2012 Democratic Convention in Charlotte, N.C., because North Carolina is the most anti-union state in the country. The IAM, with about 650,000 members, announced that it would boycott the convention for the same reason.

There are indications that other sections of the AFL-CIO might follow suit—with immense implications for Obama's and the Democratic Party's finances, since the labor movement traditionally provides huge amounts of cash and manpower for Democratic Presidential candidates.

Where Is the Impeachment Threat?

President Obama's repeated violations of the U.S. Constitution, in particular on the separation of powers and defense of the general welfare, should be resulting in moves toward impeachment. While members of both parties have publicly acknowledged that the President has carried out impeachable offenses, they are all holding back.

Astute observers point out that Republican leaders are unlikely to make such a move, since the President is carrying out their policy much more efficiently than any Republican President would be able to coerce the Congress into accepting. On the Democratic side, cowardice and "party loyalty" continue to reign.

Nonetheless, the just-decided usurpation of Congressional power to impose budget cuts has sparked a spate of sharp attacks on the President, even from liberals. One of the most striking was that from Democratic economist James Galbraith in an interview with the Italian daily *Il Messaggero* Aug. 9. Asked whether the super-committee will provide the right suggestions, he replied: "For God's sake! It will be a Junta, a body without legitimacy. It would be better to leave decisions to members of Congress; true, they quarrel, but eventually they must always be accountable to their constituencies. This committee created out of nothing, without political controls, worries me a lot."

For Michael Brenner, Professor of International Affairs at the University of Pittsburgh, the deal on the "debt ceiling crisis" is an "unprecedented reactionary turn," and "an attack on the authority of the peoples' elected representatives by the creation of an ad hoc 'super Congress,' which erodes the constitutional foundations of the Republic."

In fact, as LaRouche has pointed out for the past several years, Obama is a narcissist, who has adopted the agenda of unconstitutional Hitler policies which his British masters have put in front of him. He cannot be reformed; only removed. And unless leading circles begin to act on that reality soon, the United States, as a nation, will be destroyed.

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AFL-CIO Endorses Glass-Steagall Bill

Aug. 16—Under the headline "Legislative Alert!", the leadership of the largest U.S. labor federation, the AFL-CIO, released a letter Aug. 10 in support of H.R. 1489, to Rep. Marcy Kaptur (D-Ohio), who introduced the bill, to reinstate President Franklin Roosevelt's Glass-Steagall bill. The letter puts the political weight of the 12-million-member union behind the indispensable measure for stopping the current economic/financial breakdown in its tracks, and starting on the road to recovery.

The AFL-CIO action comes after five state AFL-CIO federations, one international union, and more than a dozen local labor councils and union branches, have passed resolutions supporting H.R. 1489. The state federations coming out in support are: New Jersey, California, Wisconsin, Kentucky, and Minnesota. The international union is the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers (IAMAW), which has more than 100,000 members, and which has lobbied Congress for H.R. 1489.

While Congress is out of session, and thus the roster of Congressional co-sponsors to H.R. 1489, currently at 32 (4 Republicans and 28 Democrats), is frozen until Congress returns, patriots within the labor movement are not taking a vacation, but moving to increase the endorsements and the pressure.

H.R. 1489 Needed

The text of the AFL-CIO letter, which appears over the signature of William Samuel, director of the Government Affairs Department, reads as follows:

"I am writing to express our support for your bill, H.R. 1489, "The Return to Prudent Banking Act.

"Because of the Dodd-Frank Act of 2010, we now have a foundation to rebuild our country's financial sector and bring accountability to Wall Street. However, despite well-intentioned efforts, Dodd-Frank did not adequately address financial institutions that have become 'too big to fail.' Attempts to place proprietary trading restrictions on big banks were put in place, yet these efforts only scratched the surface on what is needed to narrow the scope of institutions that are powerful and threaten the crumbling of our economy if they were to ultimately fail.

"H.R. 1489 would further strengthen our financial system by reinstating the Glass-Steagall Act of 1933. Glass-Steagall established three areas of financial activity: commerical banking, investment banking, and insurance. As a result of Glass-Steagall, no single company could be both an investment bank and a commercial bank. Glass-Steagall was intended to protect against potential conflicts between the function of protecting personal deposits, the insurance function and speculative investment activity.

"This structure worked for decades and proved to be an effective way of limiting the systemic risks posed by too big and too interconnected to fail financial institutions. However, in 1999 the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act repealed Glass-Steagall and unwisely allowed for the creation of large banks that were no longer subjected to the safeguards that Glass-Steagall held in place. The removal of these safeguards arguably resulted in the beginning of our most recent financial collapse.

"Our financial markets were ultimately exposed to an insurmountable amount of risky behavior by these large financial institutions, and we must now limit the potential for further economic collapse by restoring safeguards once held in place by Glass-Steagall. H.R. 1489, the Return to Prudent Banking Act would do just that.

"We thank you for introducing such a vital piece of legislation and look forward to your continued support."

Buttressing the AFL-CIO efforts are those of the National Farmers Union and the umbrella group, Americans for Financial Reform (AFR), consisting of some 200 organizations, ranging from the AFL-CIO and individual labor unions, to the NAACP, American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), the National Urban League, and a raft of consumer, housing, and other groups. AFR issued a statement of support for reviving Glass-Steagall back in December 2009.

Last week, a top official of AFR, affirmed to La-RouchePAC, the primary organizers for Glass-Steagall nationally, that the group is in full support of H.R. 1489, and has volunteered its services to the bill's sponsors, to organize for passage of the bill.

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The 9/11 Coverup Is Unraveling

by Jeffrey Steinberg and Ramtanu Maitra

Aug. 16—As the tenth anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon approaches, the decade-long coverup of the actual authorship of the worst terrorist attack in U.S. history is continuing to unravel.

Just in the past week, two dramatic revelations have surfaced, challenging some of the most fundamental features of the "official" coverup.

First, on Aug. 10, the *Daily Telegraph* published a report from a CIA contractor, Raelynn Hillhouse, revealing that Saudi Arabia had been financing Osama bin Laden's safehouse in Abbottabad, a Pakistan garrison town, and that the identification of the al-Qaeda leader's whereabouts had come from a Pakistani intelligence officer who came forward to claim the reward.

The very next day, on Aug. 11, The Daily Beast website published charges from former Clinton and Bush White House counterterrorism czar Richard Clarke, that the CIA had withheld details about two of the 9/11 hijackers, information which, if passed on, could have preempted the attacks.

Combined, these two revelations point to a much bigger scandal: the role of British and Saudi intelligence in the 9/11 attacks.

Saudi Cash Protected bin Laden

Notwithstanding what President Obama, or his National Security Advisor Tom Donilon and the gamut of the Obama Administration people tell you, it is evident that Washington ally Saudi Arabia was disbursing money to Pakistan's powerful intelligence agency, Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI), for the upkeep of bin Laden for years in Abbottabad.

Hillhouse's *Telegraph* article, "Was Osama bin Laden Protected by Pakistan in Return for Saudi Cash?," pointed out that bin Laden's whereabouts were finally revealed when a Pakistani intelligence officer came forward to claim the \$25 million bounty on the al-Qaeda leader's head.

"Dr. Hillhouse," *The Telegraph* writes, "allegedly known for her connections to private military contractors working with the CIA, wrote on her blog "The Spy Who Billed Me," that "The [Inter-Services Intelligence] officer came forward to claim the substantial reward and to broker US citizenship for his family." She continues: "My sources tell me that the informant claimed that the Saudis were paying off the Pakistani military and intelligence (ISI) to essentially shelter and keep bin Laden under house arrest in Abbottabad, a city with such a high concentration of military that I'm told there's no equivalent in the US."

After confirming bin Laden's presence in Abbottabad, the U.S. approached Pakistan's military leaders securing their cooperation in return for cash and a chance to avoid public humiliation.

That the operation to eliminate Osama bin Laden was done in cooperation with the Pakistani military had earlier been revealed in the Lahore-based *Daily Times*, on June 14, where Sheikh Asad Rahman, director of the Programmes Sungi Development Foundation, Pakistan, in his article, "Myths versus Realities," wrote "The US was confident that Osama was there [in the Abbottabad safehouse—ed.] and put pressure on GHQ to cooperate or else face the consequences. GHQ (Pakistan's military headquarters in Rawalpindi), fearing a backlash from the TTP (Tehrik-e-Taliban—a terrorist group that operates within Pakistan) and al Qaeda, decided to collude but made it clear that they would deny knowledge.

"Neighboring residents report that the Kakul Academy office [located a stone's throw from Osama's hideout—ed.] lights were on till very late that night. When the choppers arrived and shooting started, many of them climbed their roofs and observed everything. The Pakistan Army arrived within three to five minutes and started pushing people into their homes. The choppers dropped the hit squads and flew to the Baloch Regiment grounds, waiting there to be called. It was in the attempt to pick up the squads that one of them mal-

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U.S. Navy/Photographer's Mate 2nd Class Jim Watson

New revelations are ripping apart the carefully constructed coverup of the actual authorship of the 9/11 attacks, as the tenth anniversary approaches. Here, rescue workers ascend deep into the rubble of the World Trade Center on Sept. 14, 2001.

functioned and crashed. As soon as a relief chopper arrived to pick up the squad, which had remained behind to demolish the crashed chopper, and left, the Pakistan Army contingent moved in and secured the compound."

Confirmation of Hillhouse's report came from Col. Patrick Lang, former U.S. defense intelligence chief for the Middle East, who is reportedly still in close contact with the relevant agencies. He answered a blogger, hope4usa, who wrote: "RJ Hillhouse is reporting that

OBL was caught/killed due to ISI informant who wanted the 25m reward. She goes on to say that the Saudi government was paying Pakistan to keep him under house arrest in Abbottabad. I was curious of your take on that." Lang replied on his website: "Yes to both but the ISI walk in merely confirmed the existing analytic opinion that UBL [Osama bin Laden, "Osama" spelled "Usama"—ed.] was in a major Pak city under ISI protection."

Despite the load of misinformation on the raid of bin Laden's compound, put out by the Obama Administration to protect the "good name" of its ally Saudi Arabia, some analysts realized that the White House story was full of holes. But then, it should be no surprise that the White House was lying to the American people, given the track record of the Washington establishment in the coverup of the Saudi role, ever since the 9/11 attacks.

The powerful Bush family, which has produced two Presidents, and other major power-brokers over the decades, was doing business with the bin Laden empire. Salem bin Laden, Osama's older brother, was an investor in Arbusto Energy, the Texas oil company started by George W. Bush.

Saudi Arabia: Friend or Foe?

Saudi Arabia, the Gulf monarchy, is a rentier state in which no taxes are imposed on the residents. Instead, Saudis have a religious tax, the zakat, requiring all Muslims to give at least 2.5% of their income to Islamic charities. Many of the charities are truly dedicated to good causes, but others merely serve as money-laundering and terrorist-financing apparatuses. The money gets transferred through a complex system, known as

the Hawala system—the unofficial method of transferring money, and one of the key elements in the financing of global terrorism. The system has existed for generations, and is deeply embedded in the Arab culture. Hawala transactions are based on trust; they are carried out verbally and leave no paper trail, one analyst pointed out.

Moreover, it was widely known, and no one disputes the fact that some of the Saudi government money is funneled into madrassas, or Islamic schools,

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in which radical anti-Americanism is propagated. The madrassas have been instrumental in creating an ideological climate which produces and shelters large numbers of terrorists. Most wealthy Saudis who sponsor charities and educational foundations that preach religious intolerance and hate toward Western values, have made their fortunes from the petroleum industry or its subsidiaries.

In July 2005, Undersecretary of the Treasury Stuart Levey testified to a Senate hearing that, "Wealthy Saudi financiers and charities have funded terrorist organizations and causes that support terrorism and the ideology that fuels the terrorists' agenda. Even today, we believe that Saudi donors may still be a significant source of terrorist financing, including for the insurgency in Iraq."

These facts have been known for years, if not decades. What is clear is that pursuing this policy, which is centered on protecting the "good image" of the Saudis, by one U.S. Administration after another, including the present one, is responsible for the deaths of thousands of young Americans in the streets and fields of Iraq, Afghanistan, and elsewhere, and continues to endanger the lives of Americans and others.

The Clarke Revelations

As part of a documentary to be released on the 10th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks, former National Security Council counterterrorism head Richard Clarke—who served with distinction under both Presidents Bill Clinton and George W. Bush—has charged that the CIA covered up crucial information in 2000 and 2001 that could have prevented the attacks. Clarke, in interviews released to the Daily Beast online, charged that the CIA was attempting to recruit two of the 9/11 hijackers, and therefore withheld information from the White House, the National Security Council, and the FBI. Clarke asserted that the cover-up at the Agency was ordered from the very top—starting with then-CIA Director George Tenet.

Clarke also charges that the hijackers he is referring to, are Nawaf al-Hazmi and Khalid al-Mihdhar, the two West Coast-based Saudis who were the recipients of funds from the Saudi Embassy account of Ambassador Prince Bandar bin-Sultan and his wife. It was the Bandar-Hazmi-al-Mihdhar financial links that were covered up by the George W. Bush White House in the now infamous 28-page chapter from the Joint Congressional 9/11 probe, which remains classified to this day.

Despite promises to family members and survivors of the 9/11 attacks to declassify that damning chapter, detailing Saudi funding channels into the hijackers, President Barack Obama has maintained the top-down coverup, and has taken other measures to further bury the truth.

The Bandar funding links to at least two of the hijackers—conduited through two Saudi intelligence officers—Basnan and al-Bayoumi—are also the key to an even bigger scandal: the role of the al-Yamamah Anglo-Saudi offshore black operations slush fund in bankrolling al-Qaeda and other international terrorist organizations.

Clarke charged in the documentary interview that he gave in 2009, that the CIA had shared massive amounts of information with him in the run-up and aftermath of the 9/11 attacks, but had not made any mention of the fact that they knew that al-Hazmi and al-Mihdhar had been in the United States since late 2000. He said that if he had known about the presence of the two men in the United States, "We would have conducted a massive sweep. We would have conducted it publicly. We would have found those assholes. There's no doubt in my mind, even with only a week left. They were using credit cards in their own names. They were staying in the Charles Hotel in Harvard Square, for heaven's sake. Those guys would have been arrested within 24 hours."

The Joint Congressional Inquiry into the intelligence failures leading up to the 9/11 attacks, co-chaired by Senators Bob Graham (D-Fla.) and Richard Shelby (R-Ala.), revealed further elements of the coverup. The two San Diego-based hijackers Hazmi and al-Mihdhar were living for a period of time in the home of another Saudi—who was a paid FBI informant. When Graham and Shelby attempted to interview the informant and the FBI case officers, Committee investigators were repeatedly rebuffed.

When the investigation was picked up by the 9/11 Commission, efforts to interview Basnan and al-Bayoumi—the two Saudi intelligence officers who were case-officers for at least two of the hijackers—Saudi "minders" sat in on the interviews and nothing was accomplished. This prompted now-former Senator Graham to issue pointed charges of a U.S. and Saudi intelligence coverup.

Both Tenet and Cofer Black, the head of the CIA's Counterterrorism Center at the time of the 9/11 attacks, have denied the charges, and denounced Clarke for what they termed, his reckless allegations.

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Happy Birthday, Dear Amelia!

Helga Zepp-LaRouche commemorates the 100-year celebration of Amelia Boynton Robinson, in this article translated from German.

What a splendid, rich, and good life the grand old lady of the American civil rights movement can look back on! On Aug. 18, Amelia Boynton Robinson will be 100 years old. She is irrefutable proof that people who dedicate their lives to great ideas and are driven by a selfless love for humanity never really become "old," but their creativity is constantly developing and can always conquer new frontiers!

Amelia was Martin Luther King's most important collaborator in their common fight; she was fighting back in the 1930s for the civil rights of the African-American population, whose situation in the southern

American states was very often akin to slavery. It was she who invited Dr. King to Selma, and she kept the spirit of the movement alive after his death.

Amelia collaborated for more than 28 years with the international Schiller Institute and the Civil Rights Solidarity Movement (BüSo), which she considers a movement that pursues the same principal goals as the movement associated with Dr. King. During this time, as a representative of the Schiler Institute, she visited many countries, including Sweden, Denmark, France, Italy, Germany, India, Iran, Jordan, Egypt, as well as countless cities in the United States. Her message was always one of love, reconciliation, and dialogue of cultures.

Amelia, who is like a mother to me, and to whom I am like a daughter, is, among all the many wonderful things which can be said about her, above all, a poet. In her poems she addresses the soul with surprising images and metaphors; she finds a way to immediately make her readers and listeners feel uplifted, and they



Lyndon LaRouche, Helga Zepp-LaRouche, and Amelia Boynton Robinson at a Schiller Institute conference in Washington, D.C., February 1994. Amelia Robinson has been an inspiration to many generations, young and old, of those seeking freedom and human rights.

are effectively, in a playful way, reminded of the better humanity within themselves. The drama she wrote, "Through the Years," is also very moving; it is formed around many spirituals that illustrate the freedom struggle of the slaves, through the fate of a family, through whose example the total inhumanity of the slaveholders and plantation owners of the South becomes apparent.

Wherever she comes in contact with people—and over the years she has given and participated in probably many thousands of meetings, speeches, conferences, seminars, trips, visits, and so forth—people are always touched by this extraordinary woman. Amelia is, in the deepest sense, what Friedrich Schiller calls a beautiful soul, one which does not act through what it does, but through what it is. One of her greatest merits is surely her wonderful effect on children and youth, for whom the key to their inner fulfillment can often be to come to know a great historical figure, such as Amelia,

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who, in her personality and vibrancy, represents the idea of freedom and of the courage to stand up for ideals personally and directly.

In March and April 1990, Amelia travelled in the eastern part of Germany, which was being incorporated into the new federal state. She visited Cottbus, Zwickau, Chemnitz, Sondershausen, Worbis, Heiligenstadt, Criwitz, and several other cities, and it was an astounding experience to see how universal ideas, such as the fight for civil and human rights, shifted in space and time, still work according to the same eternal laws. Amelia immediately found



Amelia Boynton Robinson and Helga Zepp-LaRouche in Germany, November 2007.

in this specific historical situation. "Freedom never comes without a price; it must always be won anew," was her admonition, which many people recall who did not experience all the aspects of reunification as an improvement in their own lives.

I know from many discus-

I know from many discussions, that the fate of the youth generation lies especially close to Amelia's heart, a generation which today is confronted with many existential challenges. I know that we could give no more beautiful birthday gift than to take up the sacred responsibility to use all our strength to help create a world where Ame-

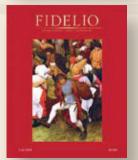
lia's dream of freedom for all mankind comes nigh. We love you, Amelia.

her way into people's hearts, and her message—never to become a slave because of fear—was very important

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From the first issue, dated Winter 1992, featuring Lyndon LaRouche on "The Science of Music: The Solution to Plato's Paradox of 'The One and the Many,'" to the final issue of Spring/Summer 2006, a "Symposium on Edgar Allan Poe and the Spirit of the American Revolution," *Fidelio* magazine gave voice to the Schiller Institute's intention to create a new Golden Renaissance.

The title of the magazine, is taken from Beethoven's great opera, which celebrates the struggle for political freedom over tyranny. *Fidelio* was founded at the time that LaRouche and several of his close associates were unjustly imprisoned, as was the opera's Florestan, whose character was based on the American Revolutionary hero, the French General, Marquis de Lafayette.

Each issue of *Fidelio*, throughout its 14-year lifespan, remained faithful to its initial commitment, and offered original writings by LaRouche and his associates, on matters of, what the poet Percy Byssche Shelley identified as, "profound and impassioned conceptions respecting man and nature."

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Science

DR. FRIEDRICH-KARL EWERT

The Fraud of Anthropogenic Climate Change

Professor emeritus Dr. Friedrich-Karl Ewert of Paderhorn University addressed the Schiller Institute's conference in Rüsselsheim, Germany, on July 2.1 This report on his speech, with a selection of his graphics, was translated from German.

Professor Ewert began by thanking the Schiller Institute for having invited him, adding that he is especially glad "that the youth, so many young people, are here, because it's *your* future. You have to battle it out against today's *Zeitgeist*." And unfortunately, this *Zeitgeist* is rather stubbornly held, and rather widespread.

He proceeded to show one of the typical charts circulated by the official climate institutes (**Figure 1**). "Whenever politicians see a chart like this showing climate and temperature

change, they get frightened, and understandably so, since they see that indeed the temperature has been rising since 1960-70."

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Prof. Friedrich-Karl Ewert: "Germany's share of CO_2 production is 0.00005%. If we in Germany were to completely halt all CO_2 emissions by 2050, this would lower the temperature by about two hundredths of a degree—an amount which is neither perceptible, nor measurable."

1. For the video in German, with English simultaneous translation, see: http://www.schiller-institut.de/ seiten/2011/ruesselsheim/20110702-ewert.html

He himself had only begun to deal with climate change in recent years, "because as a geologist, I asked myself, 'What exactly are they telling you about this climate change?' But there's nothing special about it; we've always had climate change. Temperatures on the Earth have been stable only temporarily, and for the most part they have changed after a short time."

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FIGURE 1 **Average Global Temperature, 1880-2005**

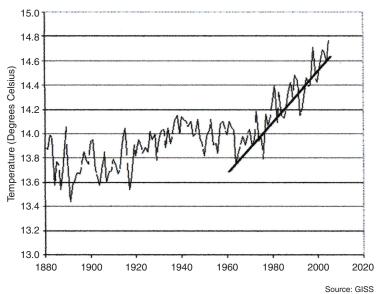
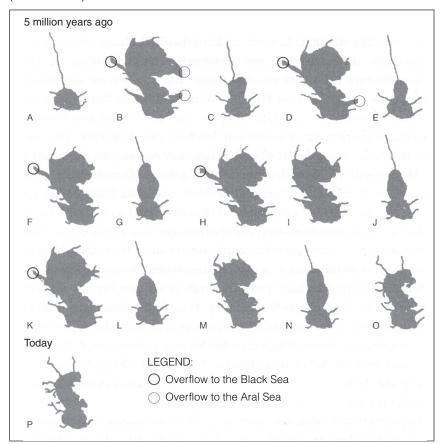


FIGURE 2

Changes in the Caspian Sea
(5 Million Years)



There are many causes of these climatic changes—for example, the changes of the Earth's orbital path around the Sun. "As you know, the Earth travels around the Sun on an ellipse, and the radii of this ellipse, along with the Earth's rotational axis in relation to this ellipse, are constantly changing.... These changes cause us, among other things, to have periodic ice ages on the Earth, and these ice ages have often spread much farther southward than we have been accustomed to recently.

As an example of this continual climatic change, he showed a comparative representation of the size of the Caspian Sea (**Figure 2**), "how it has changed over the course of 5 million years, as a result of the fact that precipitation conditions in the watershed feeding the Caspian Sea have undergone repeated changes—changes that are periodic, as we can see here.... This has been the case for over 5 million years, and nobody can

say that man had a hand in it, since he didn't even exist yet."

Professor Ewert used other charts to demonstrate the "quite remarkable climatic variations over the past 650,000 years, and, in greater detail, the past 9,000 years" (**Figure 3**).

"Figure 4 shows climate variations since 1880. The variations in solar insolation—i.e., changes in solar activity—are in red, and the blue lines are the Earth's temperature, which follow this insolation. People always claim that this is the fault of man with his anthropogenic CO₂. "But that's not true, as you can see in this figure. The increased and increasing production of anthropogenic CO2 from coal, oil, and natural gas only began in earnest after 1940, and since, as you know, effects always follow causes, any warming before 1950 could not have been caused by CO₂ production that came later." And CO₂ can't possibly have caused glacial melting, which started back in 1820, and which has a completely natural cause, namely, our re-warming following the Little Ice Age.

For the assumption that anthropo-

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genic CO₂ influences climate, there exists "not a shred of genuine proof; rather, it is based on computer-model calculations that are used to spin scenarios." As one example of the unreliability of such computer models, he returned to the Caspian Sea: "In 1995, a scenario was presented, predicting that up through 2010, there would be an great rise in its water level. Exactly the opposite occurred: Only two years later, it had already gone down by 40 centimeters."

Ewert noted that the charts released by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) cover only the past 150 years. "Now, you have to wonder—because it's well known that climatic changes proceed slowly: Why didn't the IPCC use any older data, even though it was readily available?... None of the temperature data series from 1765 up to the present were cited, and none were evaluated, leaving all the more latitude for future prognoses and scenarios."

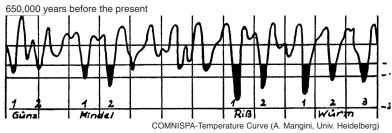
So, whom are we to believe? Ewert, as a geologist, and not a climate researcher or a climatologist, considers himself like "the naive child in Hans Christian Andersen's fairy tale 'The Emperor's New Clothes,' who wants to see what kind of clothes the Emperor is wearing—and lo and behold, he's not wearing any!"

Ewert's Own Analysis of the Data

"I also evaluated data which are readily available on the Internet. The data I'm showing you here, which I've analyzed on my own, are from Internet portals, and anyone can verify them. They're from such Internet portals as wetterzentrale.de, The Little Ice Age Thermometers² and Rimfrost³. The weather monitoring stations evaluated are distributed worldwide. "Most of them are in Europe, but we also have a sufficient number of them in Australia, in [North] America, in Asia, and relatively few in South America and Africa."

In order to have a frame of reference, Ewert first examined historical values of the intensity of insolation in the infrared band, and of recorded temperatures. "Up until the end of the 18th Century, we had the so-called Little Ice Age. Life wasn't comfortable back then....

FIGURE 3
Climate Change: Ice Ages, Cold, and Warm Periods



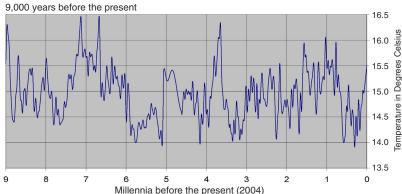
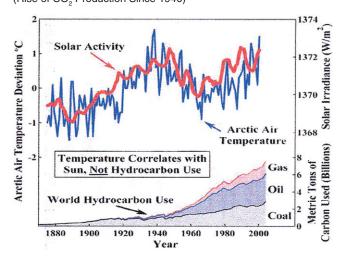


FIGURE 4

Solar Activity and Temperature, 1880-2005
(Rise of CO., Production Since 1940)



Between 900 and 1300, we had the so-called Medieval Climatic Optimum, when it was significantly warmer. Crops could be grown in Greenland. After that, the temperatures dropped. These changes correlate well with solar insolation."

Aside from the Earth's re-warming itself, during the three centuries following the Little Ice Age there have been temperature variations of only a few tenths of a

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^{2.} http://climatereason.com/LittleIceAgeThermometers

^{3.} http://www.rimfrost.no

FIGURE 5 Long-Term Cooling, 1860-2005

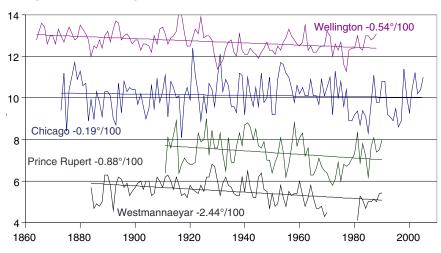
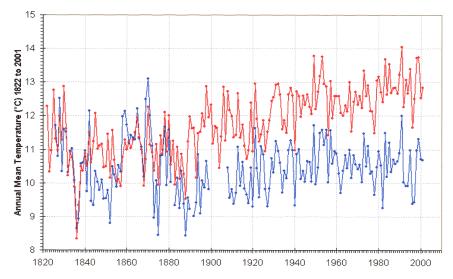


FIGURE 6
Urban Heat Island Effect (UHI)



degree per century, as the result of variations in insolation from the Sun. "This is shown by the temperature variation curves derived from the long-term statistical series." Ewert showed two examples of such long-term series from central England (since ca. 1659) and Berlin, and then, using the example of data from the De Bilt weather station in the Netherlands, how such curves are arrived at:

"You go to the Internet and extract the data ... and then you use an Excel program to produce these curves, and you realize: Aha! It's going up, by 0.48°C per century—i.e., every 100 years it is getting 0.48° warmer, as

the result of the re-warming following the Little Ice Age, as I already mentioned. This 0.48° per century is for the total period, during which subsidiary warming or cooling periods have occurred."

In order to understand this, you have to ascertain the changes in each individual segment. "When you analyze the variation curves, you must first investigate the total change, and then also the changes in the partial segments." These total changes vary from region to region (Figure 5). "However, since 1700, we have had not only warming periods, but also cooling periods. This is interesting, because the Little Ice Age apparently has not yet ended in all the Earth's regions; in many places, it is still ongoing, since otherwise we wouldn't have these cooling periods. The amount of cooling in Wellington, New Zealand, for example, is -0.54°C per century, and in Vestmannaeyjar in Iceland it is even -2.44°C per century."

When analyzing the data, it is especially important to take into account the so-called Urban Heat Island Effect (UHI). This effect occurs when the expansion of urban settlement results in local warmings that are independent of climatic changes. "The variation curves of New York and West Point show this very clearly, with the difference between the two

locations (**Figure 6**). The bottom curve is for the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, about 70-80 kilometers north of New York City. It's a small town, so there has hardly been any change there since 1900. The same was true for New York, up to about 1900. After that, it grew warmer there, because of the urban construction, especially of high-rise apartment buildings. They altered the micro-climate. And thus, in this case, the temperature rose by about 2°C. In other words, when interpreting these curves, you have to pay very close attention to the Urban Heat Island Effect."

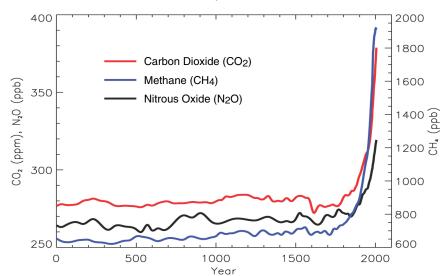
But you need to evaluate the individual segments

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FIGURE 7

IPCC: Greenhouse Gas Composition

Concentrations of Greenhouse Gases from year 0 to 2005



not only qualitatively, but also quantitatively. This results in temperatures first getting somewhat warmer, and then somewhat more intensely cooler; then there is a stronger warming again, followed by another cooling; and this warming has to do with solar insolation. "Sometimes neighboring regions show synchronous changes, and sometimes they diverge. It's also important that there are some time periods of greater importance, during which there is parallel and approximately simultaneous warming or cooling." Thus, between 1920 and 1950 there was warming, while between 1950 and 1980 there was cooling. "The cooling phase begins pretty much simultaneously with the increased CO₂ production. But if CO₂ actually caused warming, the opposite would should have been the case."

At about 76% of the weather stations, there was an average warming of 0.006° C per year, i.e., 0.6° per century, "and that includes the Urban Heat Island Effect; if you take the latter into account, the rise is only about 0.4° per century. Now, that's not very much, and really has nothing to do with climate change."

What is astounding, is that no one has ever even defined what climate change is, or at what point temperature fluctuation becomes climate change. For example, the difference in average temperature between Frankfurt and Berlin is 0.8°C, whereas between Frankfurt and Milan it's almost 4°. "So we can say that the climate in Berlin and Frankfurt is more or less the

same; at least, the difference is not very great. The differences between Frankfurt and Milan are quite large, of course, and Milan has a different climate than Frankfurt. Which is to say: In order to have actual climate change, we need at least a couple of degrees; a couple tenths of a degree are not sufficient. But we haven't been talking here about anything more than a change of a couple tenths of a degree; nothing more than that has occurred. And thus, we don't have any global climate change; all we have are small, periodic temperature fluctuations."

CO₂ Is a Building-Block of Life, Not a Poison

The so-called greenhouse effect is a hotly contested topic among

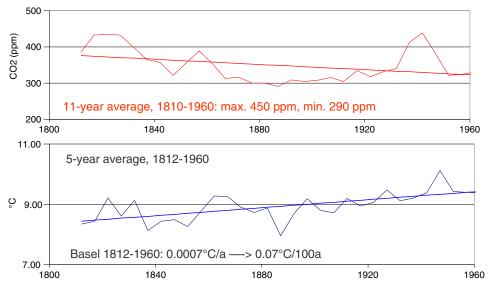
physicists. "For practical purposes, there is little difference whether it exists at all, or whether its effect is very minimal. But what is important here, is the fact that it's often *solely* CO₂ that is spoken of as a climate-influencing gas. The most important climate-influencing gas is water vapor! And this we certainly have in widely varying concentrations. But the question remains: Are we, then, the cause of this warming? And I think the facts say 'no.'"

Whenever *Der Spiegel*, *Die Welt*, or *Stern* want to show how bad the CO₂ has become, "they typically run photos of cooling towers spewing white smoke... But this white smoke is water vapor. CO₂ is invisible—you can't see it! CO₂ is colorless and odorless; it is incombustible and non-toxic. But our children are told at school that CO₂ is harmful, and often they go so far as to tell them it's poisonous! That, ladies and gentlemen, is a crime against our young people!" Because CO₂ is the basic building-block of life.

"Every animal body, including our own, is 9% carbon dioxide. We breathe it in, we breathe it out, it makes plants grow, and so forth. To say that CO_2 is harmful or poisonous, is absolutely terrible; you just can't do that. And I think we have to really work toward ensuring that this doesn't happen. CO_2 is of volcanic origin; it is generated by the weathering of stone; it is generated by the burning of coal; it is generated by the decomposition of biomass. And, above all, CO_2 is the building-block for

FIGURE 8

Chemical Analysis of CO₂ Content in the Air: No Correlation with Temperature



Source: H.G. Beck, 2007

plants and animals.... And therefore, CO_2 is the beginning of the food chain, so demonizing it isn't allowed!" In the Netherlands, plants are even aerated with CO_2 in order to accelerate their growth.

The IPCC claims that beginning in 2000, the concentration of CO₂ in the air was constant, but that over the last few decades it has risen (**Figure 7**). "In Al Gore's movie ['An Inconvient Truth'], he climbs up a ladder to show how high CO₂ concentration is going to get in the future. Why? The IPCC says: We do not take into account the directly measured chemical CO₂ content [of atmospheric air]. So, the IPCC ordains that directly measured chemical CO₂ content *must not be considered*! Why? Because if they considered it, they would not get this result."

But it is indeed possible, via chemical analysis, to determine what the CO₂ content of air has been since 1810. In 2007, Hans-Georg Beck published a paper⁴ analyzing directly measured chemical CO₂ content (**Figure 8**). He took 90,000 individual measured values

from 180 studies, analyzed them, and arrived at the conclusion that they were much higher earlier than they are today. For example, the 11-year average around 1830-40 was more than 400 parts per million; after that, it went down again, then went up again, and so forth.

Most of all, it is important to point out that there is an aperiodicity—i.e., there is no dependent relation between CO₂ content of the air and temperature, as you can see in the five-year average temperature in Basel, which he also used in his study.

The atmosphere's CO_2 concentration is currently 0.038%. "Ninety-five percent of that, i.e., 0.0361%, comes from the life cycle.

The human component is 5%, which is 0.018%, and Germany's share is 0.00005%. You've got to let that figure dissolve on your tongue or, bounce on your eardrum: *Germany's share of CO₂ production is 0.00005\%*. And if we in Germany were to completely halt all CO₂ emissions by 2050, this would lower the temperature by about two hundredths of a degree—an amount which is neither perceptible, nor measurable."

Ewert recalled the so-called Climategate scandal, in which thousands of e-mails were pilfered from the central computer of the Climate Research Unit (CRU) and released to the public. "The stolen data were analyzed by climate realists, and it turns out that the data had in fact been manipulated" in order to support the anthropogenic climate change theory.

He also referred to a study by U.S. meteorologists Joseph D'Aleo and Anthony Watts ("Surface Temperature Records: Policy-Driven Deception?"⁵), who documented one of the manipulation techniques: "The data were worked up by the CRU and then passed on to the IPCC. In the subsequent process, not all the data were taken into account. Data from 4,500 land-based weather

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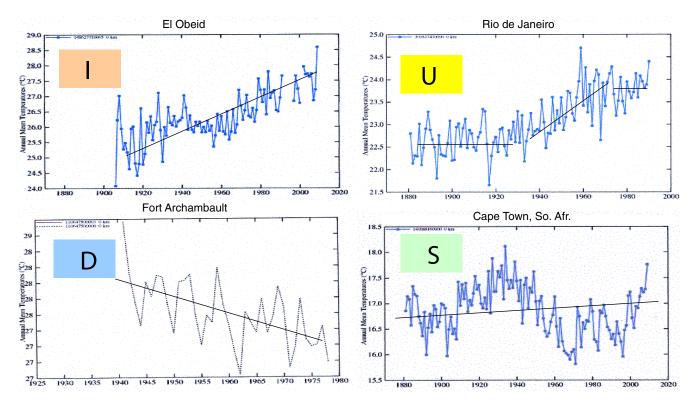
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FIGURE 9

Classification of Curve Types

- 1	Increase (warming)
U	Warming as a result of UHI
D	Decrease (cooling)
S	Same on average



stations in the arctic and on mountain-tops—i.e., in relatively cool locations—were separated out, and only data from 1,500 stations in (relatively warm) cities were considered, and thus were over-proportionately weighted. Warming during the 1990s was based on a statistical sleight-of-hand."

"In D'Aleo's and Watts's study, there's a link for accessing NASA's data pool. It opens up to a world map with a red arrow, with which, for any region, you can open up a list of the weather stations located there. Clicking on a station opens up its temperature variation curve. By examining the curve, you can follow the changes in temperature...."

Curves from a total of 776 stations around the world were evaluated (**Figure 9**). The variation curves were classified into four types: warming (I-increasing) in El Obeid, Sudan; warming as a result of UHI (U) in Rio di Janeiro; cooling (D-decreasing) in Fort Archambault,

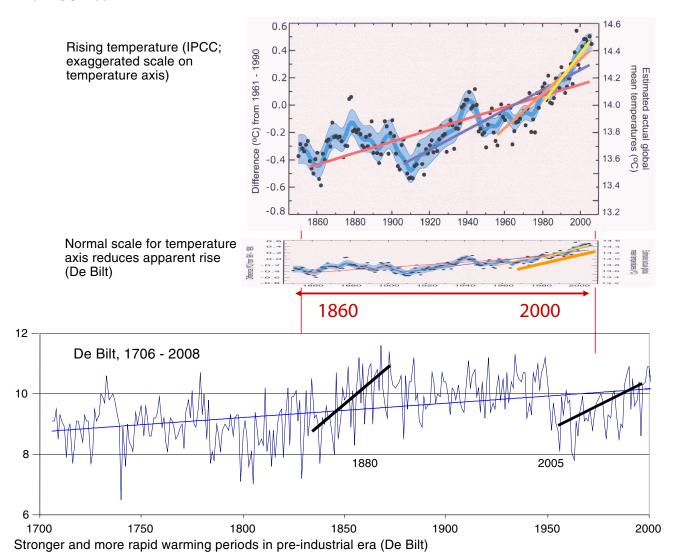
Chad; and remaining the same on average, despite fluctuations (S) in Cape Town, South Africa. If anthropogenic CO₂ had been in effect, it should have caused a rise in temperature after 1950; but this cannot be detected in the representative examples here.

In the statistical tabulation for the entire world, which, at 74% of all stations worldwide, shows no overall change in temperature, you can see an alternation between warming and cooling phases, which corresponds rather precisely with the rhythm of solar insolation. "In the meantime, a quantitative analysis was begun, which demonstrated that since 1998, we have been cooling off again."

Ewert then returned to the IPCC's climate curve, and compared it with the long-term variation curve of the De Bilt weather station in Holland (**Figure 10**, bottom). "This warming is not real; it has been faked by means of an exaggerated scale on the temperature axis. When it is

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displayed on a normal scale, none of this warming remains. During the pre-industrial era, there were warming periods that were much more rapid, and much stronger. This is shown by comparison, and by the example of the De Bilt variation curve—and other examples. Even before production of anthropogenic CO₂ began in 1950, there was warming between 1910 and 1950, and also after 1980; both warmings are approximately the same, and were caused by the Sun." The fact that the old temperature data were ignored, is unacceptable!

"The UN's dogma that 'man is the culprit' is not true," Ewert concluded. "An expensive climate bureaucracy has been built up. We have an expensive climate-change tourism industry, and we have scenarios of CO₂-

caused warming which are simply untrue. The specific warming did not occur; it has been faked. Senseless and ruinous measures have been carried out. And for whom? For a chimera.

"The facts are: Ever since the Little Ice Age, we have been warming up again. We don't have global climate change; what we have are normal temperature fluctuations. We have had parallel cooling and warming episodes. No CO₂ influence can be detected. Since 2000, we have been cooling off again. And, data have been manipulated in order to fake a warming trend: Climategate. The IPCC's scenarios are failures. And in conclusion, ladies and gentlemen, this analysis can be verified—any one of you can do it!"

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Editorial

Forty Years Later: August 15, 1971

It was 40 years ago this week, that President Richard Nixon took the momentous step of removing the dollar from its link to gold, thus initiating what the Aug. 14, 2011 London *Daily Telegraph* correctly identified as the system of "floating currencies." Within a year, the Bretton Woods System was officially buried, and the wholesale destruction of the physical economy of the world was underway, by the forces we know today as the City of London/Wall Street-based British Empire.

Lyndon LaRouche had forecast the crisis to which Nixon responded in this evil way, back in the late 1950s, in contrast to virtually every other economist in the world. When the shocking event occurred, he issued his most lasting long-term forecast. Referring to himself, he wrote:

"He forecast, that, if the dominant powers resorted to a cominbation of increasingly rapacious, monetarist forms of austerity measures, the result would be, not a new cyclical crisis, but, rather, a systemic crisis, a 'general breakdown crisis' of the global system." As LaRouche publications identified it at the time, the threat was fascism and a New Dark Age.

In ratchets over the next 40 years, that breakdown crisis has occurred on schedule. At various inflection points along the way, LaRouche issued shorter-term forecasts of more specificity—such as the 1987 stock market crash, the collapse of the Soviet economy, his "9th Forecast," and the July 2007 financial crisis—which have been borne out with stunning accuracy.

To LaRouche, however, forecasting is not an armchair exercise. As he put it in the Spring of 1997, a "scientific economic forecast is related to the nature of the function in mathematical physics, or *a classical war plan*." With each forecast, LaRouche and his organization presented a war plan

to avoid the disaster which was looming, if leading institutions would only respond by taking action.

In 1971, LaRouche already had in hand an Emergency Reconstruction Program ("How to Lick A Depression In a Single Day"), which outlined the approach to physical reconstruction of the economy. The fundamental problem, as La-Rouche outlined in his first major response to Aug. 15—"Why It Had To Happen"—was that the physical economy was being "crushed under a mass of stocks, bonds, mortgages, and other capitalist paper. Destroy that paper, and prosperity could emerge." The guts of the problem was the clinging to fictitious "money" values, rather than the physical wealth associated with increasing the productive powers of labor.

In the decades since, LaRouche has applied this concept in elaborated form to the evolving situation, in the United States and many other countries, as the world economic and political situation under British imperial control has ratcheted down. At each crisis point, he has proposed a solution, be it a debt moratorium, the Strategic Defense Initiative, the New Bretton Woods system, the Homeowners and Bank Protection Act, or Glass-Steagall.

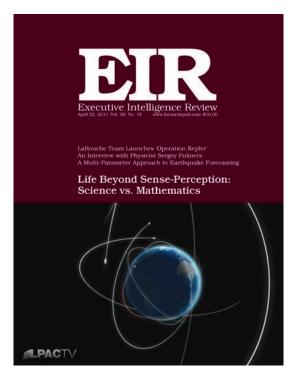
Those who had illusions that there were alternatives to LaRouche's solutions, have found themselves facing the ever-clearer picture of doom, potentially, for the human species as a whole. All other financial "authorities" on the planet are totally discredited, and the danger of mass death on an unprecedented scale looms, as a result of clinging to the dying monetarist system.

It's time to learn the lessons of 1971. La-Rouche's "war plan" for success must be followed now.

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