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## Editorial

### *Wartime Censorship?*

Anyone looking for supporting evidence to Lyndon LaRouche's assertion that the world is teetering on the brink of World War III, would do well to look at the degree of military-style censorship currently being exercised by the media of the United States, and much of Western Europe, as well. That censorship eliminates from the major news media, those elements of the international strategic picture that should have Americans demanding an immediate change in U.S. policy, especially in Syria, where it has put us on a path toward a head-on clash with Russia, and probably China as well: thermonuclear war.

Striking is the case of the interview given by Air Force Gen. Philip Breedlove, who was installed as NATO's Supreme Allied Commander on May 13. Speaking with *Stars and Stripes* during a May 30 visit to the U.S. Naval headquarters in Naples, Italy, Breedlove warned against the consequences of establishing a no-fly zone over Syria. "It is quite frankly an act of war, and it is not a trivial matter," he said.

"I know it sounds stark," the General continued, "but what I always tell people when they talk to me about a no-fly zone is . . . it's basically to start a war with that country, because you are going to have to go in and kinetically take out their air defense capability."

Did you see that in the "major" media? Apparently, there just wasn't room in the midst of all the interviews with jihadist "freedom fighters," and the lunatic Sen. John McCain, to be able to cite the opposite judgment of the top Western military commander. To get that report, you had to read *Stars and Stripes*, LaRouchePAC's website, or releases from Iran's Press TV.

General Breedlove is not the first prominent

U.S. military leader to make such a warning, of course. Former Defense Secretary Robert Gates and current Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Martin Dempsey have effectively said the same thing. And their statements have also been generally swept under the rug.

Equally outrageous has been the coverup of the true character and power of the jihadi Syrian opposition. By now, at least three sources—UN officials, Turkish officials, and the Syrians—have reported evidence that it's the opposition fighters who are supplied with or using sarin gas; in one case, two full kilos were found in their possession! Yet, once again, you would be hard-pressed to find *any*, not to mention prominent, mention of this fact in the major Western media.

Even the hair-raising stories of jihadi fighters committing atrocities, and advertising them by video, merit only brief mention, in the midst of a barrage of romanticized propaganda about the fanatic fighters—those who in fact are driving out Christians, destroying religious shrines, and carrying out al-Qaeda-style suicide bombings.

The war-mongers are running our media, proceeding to control information so that U.S. involvement in international conflict—including with China—seems inevitable.

We won't stop it by protesting the media, of course. They are simply the tools of the financial empire which is bent on its genocide agenda, and naturally, trying to suppress effective opposition.

The most potent form of that opposition is to hit it on the flank—the Glass-Steagall flank. British tool Obama is already weakened by scandals, which is helpful. Now the key is to deliver the crippling blow: Pass Glass-Steagall in the U.S. in the month of June! Prevent world war!