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From the Managing Editor

Surveying the manifold crises that are battering the planet, one might conclude that it would take a battalion of geniuses to overcome them. What is the quality of genius, and how can we cultivate it? That is the topic of Lyndon LaRouche's *Feature*, which he deems one of his most important pieces of writing ever.

The three historic geniuses upon whom he focuses our attention— Nicholas of Cusa, Johannes Kepler, and William Shakespeare—are united by their understanding that what we perceive with our senses is not "reality." As the Chorus in Shakespeare's *Henry V* instructs us, the truthfulness of the play is not determined by the skills of the costume and properties staff, but by the imagination of the audience. Everything else is "merely shadows cast by sense-perception, not the 'real thing,'" LaRouche writes. This creative quality of the human mind, which distinguishes us from animals, is what can potentially enable any human being, "through adequate personal development and related, and enriching experience, to break through the so-to-speak 'walls of evolutionary time.'" This, in turn, allows a person to forecast the future effectively and act upon that forecast.

Our news coverage analyses those crises that we face, starting with the financial breakdown and the drive to war over Syria, which has ratcheted upward with Obama's announcement that the U.S. will now *officially* supply weapons to the rebels. In *International*, we document that the gun-running has in fact been going on for quite some time. And in *National*, we tell the story—which was uncovered a decade ago, but buried by the "mainstream" media—that Washington knew a great deal more than it was willing to admit about the Saudi royal family's role in 9/11, from the interrogation of prisoner Abu Zubaydeh. Both the Bush and Obama administrations saw fit to suppress the evidence, and much of it remains under wraps.

On the related story of NSA spying on Americans "to protect them from terrorism," we have exclusive coverage of the June 12 press conference by a diverse group of government officials and civil liberties activists, in support of Sen. Rand Paul's "Fourth Amendment Restoration Act of 2013." Despite the importance of this event in Washington, it received little or no media coverage.

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Nicholas of Cusa, Kepler & Shakespeare

by Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.

June 10, 2013

The U.S. economic crisis of August-September 1971, had been the opening of a truly revolutionary phase in my own life's experience. Since the succession of the assassinations of, first, President John F. Kennedy and, then, that of a virtual Presidential candidate, his brother, Robert, the United States had been enmired into the launching of a foolish, post-Kennedy, U.S.A. war in Indo-China.

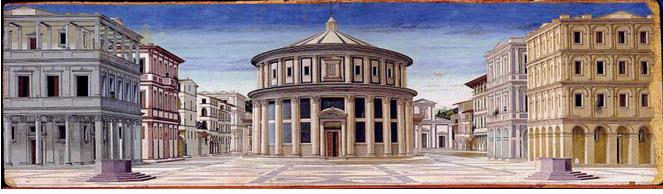
For the greatest relevant U.S. military mind of that time, General Douglas MacArthur, the launching of that worthless war in Indo-China had been, in effect, an unforgivable act against the vital strategic interests of the United States: the walk of the United States into a British-laid, strategic trap, "The Vietnam War."

It had been a worthless war from its outset, a war which had set the United States, and, later, a series of wars engaging the U.S.A., among others, into what would be clearly recognizable as a so-far endless decline of trans-Atlantic riding of a slippery slope, downward, across the decades, since. So, in an echo of the Anglo-American folly of Indo-China, "that naked criminal" Tony Blair (as under, therefore, the Queen of England in his time), had, also, fraudulently, engineered a worse than useless, long war in Iraq (and elsewhere), since which the world has slid, more, and ever more quickly, into the present state of a plunge into a moral, cultural, and economic slide, a slide toward, now, the sudden arrival of a present brink of a virtually global, thermonuclear Hell.

The Thermonuclear Factor

Since what every competent sort of leading strategist had known, as the strategically worse than silly, U.S. nuclear bombing of an essentially already defeated, war-time Japan, every competent U.S. strategist (British

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The 15th-Century Golden Renaissance owed a great debt to Cardinal Nicholas of Cusa who, LaRouche writes, was "the leading personal factor" in its achievements. Shown: "The Ideal City" (ca. 1470) by the Renaissance genius, Piero della Francesca.

dupes like Harry Truman plainly put to one side) had recognized that the deploying of nuclear warfare against targets including the Soviet Union, pointed toward the early expression of an intended, imperial targeting of what were implicitly intended to become, ultimately, and soon, thermonuclear targets, and told to the truly witting types, the simple truth that any clear development in the likeness of a Vietnam War, leads into a threatened thermonuclear consequence.

Earlier, during the Korean war, General MacArthur had been drawn explicitly into reckoning with precisely that issue of new worthless wars, in the continuing Korea conflict then, and had later warned President John F. Kennedy against the U.S.A.'s being drawn into such antics, both during the U.S.A. engagement in North Korea in his time, and in his later role as strategic advisor to that same President.

Indeed, the entirety of the strategic issues of socalled "World War II" toward the closing battles of that war, had depended on the presumption by our leading patriots, including those of the O.S.S., which had been that it would be President Franklin Roosevelt who would control the U.S.A. policies in the concluding conduct of "World War II," not the Franklin Roosevelt haters such as the Winston Churchill and Harry Truman whose combined agencies had already, adopted a course which set a new global world war actually into motion then, as now.

The outcome of the Churchill policy and of that British imperial policy's outgrowth, has therefore become, now, the virtual Hell mustered around that present world empire which is led by the intrinsically evil tradition of that imperial Anglo-Dutch degeneration: a degeneration which, when it were considered as a whole, is now still spreading its peculiar Hell throughout the world.

On the subject of that continuing point at issue, the following, essential considerations must be added:

The nominally U.S.-centered, Wall Street financial crisis of Summer 1971,¹ had, for a time, discredited the reputations of virtually all of my leading opponents in economic forecasting. This was to be the case, during much of the 1970s, and somewhat beyond. So, in a celebrated debate against me at Queens College, on December 2nd of that 1971, and beyond that, it had been clearly demonstrated, not only in the United States, but also in Britain, and elsewhere, that my own methods of forecasting had been shown to have been uniquely successful for as long as the lesson of the painful memory of 1971 would have survived; whereas, on this account, the U.S. economy's financial markets, and also the leading economists in Britain, had clearly failed. When we view the history of that matter to the present date, since those times, there has never been an actually net real-economic, per-capita recovery in the U.S.A., nor in Europe (for example)-from then, up to the present time. The world hangs now on precisely that same issue. It hangs, thus, on the prospective sudden end of anything which might be named "civilization," most significantly in the trans-Atlantic region, up to the present moment: unless necessary, relatively sudden changes occur. In the meanwhile, the trans-Atlantic region is already plunging

^{1. &}quot;Wall Street" was never anything but a British agency, operating under an originally leading role by the traitor Aaron Burr, created by the British Empire with a commission and intent to destroy our United States. Among those created, in turn, by Burr was a one-time President of the U.S.A., Andrew Jackson.

into a deep and prolonged collapse, now diving, currently, and that at an accelerating rate, into what continues to be the prospect of a prolonged, great dark age.

To where, then, might a sick world now go from here?

The Possible Options

Clearly, then, for example, the financial crisis which had actually first broken out during the Summer of 1971, had been a product of the systemically incompetent type of practice of forecasting generally accepted among such as many of both the U.S.A.'s and British leading economists, as also the continuing financialpanic-driven behavior among most U.S.A. Presidents, generally, since that time. That matter did not end there. As a result, that has been so during most of the latter half of the 1980s, and leading into the worst such case this far, the more than sixteen years—a virtual entire generation of the combined, pathetically failed U.S. Presidency of de facto British lackey George H.W. Bush, and of the later Presidencies of George W. Bush, Jr., and Barack Obama. So, the United States had been plunged, as a simple matter of fact, and that at accelerating rates, toward a trend of the greatest political, economic, and intellectual degeneration into a general collapse presently, a collapse featuring both the worst financial, physical-economic, and moral degeneration in modern U.S.A. history.

It has been shown as fact, thus, up to the present moment, that, if the present trend throughout the trans-Atlantic region were to be continued, an early destruction of the human species' present economic systems were now probably destined very soon, if current policytrends were to be continued to their seemingly, presently likely, outcome.² The most immediate threat, on that account, is that this catastrophe is being brought currently, up to this moment, into its now-threatened, global, hyper-inflationary form of economic disaster. This catastrophe, were it to be continued, would come fully upon us, now, very soon, either through aid of a currently accelerating hyper-inflationary physicaleconomic collapse, or through the presently accelerating threat-potential for global thermonuclear warfare, a war which were now, probably, already a very early, and had always been, so far, an increasing prospect, if not a certainty up through the present date.

The record has been, and remains, that, beginning with my first systemic quality of a crucial public forecast which had been made in my position in the capacity of an executive for a large consulting firm, that, since that success, I have never erred in any publicized medium-to-long-term forecast actually issued explicitly by me. My most important nominal successes on this account, have represented, chiefly, a demonstration of the inherently systemic incompetence of those leading monetarist institutions, and other forecasters, which were centered on the U.S.A. and Europe, then in 1971, as, unfortunately, by their dupes, perhaps now.³ The proper deduction from that set of experiences, is nothing more, nor less than the elementary truth of the matter, which is: the globally dominant (i.e., Anglo-American) financial institutions of the trans-Atlantic region, and their accomplices, have been usually, utterly incompetent since the death of President Franklin D. Roosevelt. That is still the case, as now, when the trans-Atlantic powers are leading nothing but the growth of nothing as much as the already greatest hyper-inflationary monetarist collapse in modern history.

At the Roots of Modern Science

During the late 1970s and early 1980s, I had concentrated on two most notable, and very much related subjects, all bearing upon the historical processes of those times. Attention to the importance of the prospect of progress in thermonuclear fusion, for one, and also a retrospective re-assessment of what had been the, then, for me, new principles which had been presented in times now long past, by the outstanding genius of his own time: the same Nicholas of Cusa who has been, in fact, the principal figure in the launching of the greatest of all presently known, but, usually brief, renaissances. Every fundamental step into progress since what was named "The Golden Renaissance," had, and has depended upon the fruits of a legacy originally centered in what has been known as "The Golden Renaissance" in which Nicholas of Cusa showed himself, consequently, as the leading personal factor in the achievements of what is to be remembered as "The Golden Renaissance."

^{3.} The designation "dupes," as I shall make clear below, is not an "insult," but simply an essential matter of a scientific fact which continues in downward progress.

^{2.} I shall treat this specific matter below.



Johannes Kepler (1571-1630), Nicholas of Cusa (1401-64), and William Shakespeare (1564-1616), each in his own way, exemplify the principle of "vicarious hypothesis," or metaphor, in contradistinction to sense-certainty.

The Outcome?

As I explain these now stated matters, this is what must be considered, relatively, summarily, once more, as follows.

I begin this following account here, with a preliminary reference to the subject of the difference between the human mind as such, as distinct from the "mere human brain." Nicholas of Cusa, his successor Johannes Kepler, and the matured William Shakespeare, are all suitably typical cases for projecting the consideration of the principles which I will have just now emphasized, as in these following pages.

Those errors in general policies, to which I have made reference here, are to be traced, actually, since the death of U.S. President Franklin Roosevelt, or, from the assassinations of both President John F. Kennedy (in November 1963), and, slightly later, his brother, the pre-candidate for President Robert Kennedy (on June 6, 1968). Those assassinations have been, in their effect, a persisting curse upon the United States, ever since. It has actually been the U.S.A. itself which has been cursed on this account, that, in fact, over all those years to the present date.

On Forecasting

There is no honest doubt to be considered from my side, in my having made such a long-ranging forecast.

For example, returning our attention to the subject of Douglas MacArthur: Since the opening of the U.S. war in Indo-China, which President John F. Kennedy had sternly opposed, that in concert with his great strategic advisor of that time, General Douglas MacArthur, the effect which the assassination of President Kennedy brought upon us (and our loss of the heroic Douglas MacArthur not long after that), was a sudden, deep, and presently continuing, decades-long decline in the U.S. economy, a trend which had become more significant in its effects on our U.S. culture then, but which has also been continued to this present time. Any contrary opinion on that point, would be simply foolishness. It has been, and remains, the official "cover-up" of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, which has been both the origin of the fresh re-establishment of systemic economic crises, globally; this has caused, in turn, the persisting decline of the U.S. economy since the launching of the actually systemic "cover-up" of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

Any competent effort to bring understanding of the decline of the global economy, were best approached by attention to the cases of the pattern common to the leading, British-dominated, national economies of the trans-Atlantic nations. In a strict sense, the chain of events leading into the causes of that collapse itself, has been intentional, whether by plan, or intended negligence. The great, willful hoax has been the leading continuing cause of repeated such collapses since the untimely death of President Franklin Roosevelt. That is a fact which could often be traced in history, as, for example, most conveniently, to that of the Roman empire.

Consider the still relevant, historical case of the relative collapse of the U.S. economy under the influence of the nominal authority of that wretched scoundrel, President Andrew Jackson. Jackson on the documented record, was actually a British-owned dupe whose personal gifts for virtual treason pop up as an example, one to be traced to a case of typical relevance in tracing the typical roots to be fairly seen as echoing the Fall of the Roman Empire, just as in the model of the British Empire, or of the birth of the British Empire engendered by the dynasty of William of Orange ("very nasty"), which, in turn, created the British Empire as what has been continued as a most intimately linked, dominant element of the trans-Atlantic region and beyond through the present date, and which is the chief source of the recurrent treason-in-fact experienced in our United States.

The true source of the folly of virtually every modern nation of the planet today, including Russia among the other nations to be considered, whether by intention, or negligent over-sight, has been that global pattern. That has been the acceptance of what is identified, "euphemistically," as a belief in monetarism: the silly belief in "the power of money as such" as a standard of value. Any actually competent nation's government would, like Alexander Hamilton, have outlawed anything such as the "monetarism" which, for example, has usually dominated, and therefore continues to seek, as now, to bankrupt the United States and its political institutions through the assistance of those institutions themselves. Money as such, has no truly inherent value: as President George Washington and his most essential economist-in-fact, Alexander Hamilton, knew and had demonstrated that fact with perfect certainty. So did John Quincy Adams, as did the relevant circles of President Abraham Lincoln, and of some others, including the most exceptional President Franklin Roosevelt. Unfortunately, many other once high-ranking U.S. officials of recorded history were of much, much lesser intellectual and moral achievements.

A Thesis:

I. The Human Mind

From this point on, in this report, it is now most essential to be clear about the very special qualities of importance which must be recognized as we bring our attention to the very special character of the added subject-matter which I introduce from here on. To begin that enterprise upon which we are now so embarked, henceforth, the crucial, actually revolutionary question to be asked on the matter of science, is: "What, for example, should have been recognized as proof of the distinction of the human mind, in contrast to the mere brain of a creature of a respectively human, or lower living category of existence?" On that account, we must emphasize the fact of the relatively inferior quality of judgment based on any set of functions which are confined to the bounds of subjects attributable to the action of what is "conventionally" defined as being merely the living biological brain in-and-ofitself.

That relevant distinction in my reply to that question, is, that the evidence of the quality of absolutely superior, authentic discoveries of an efficiently living, actual mental principle which defines a human mind, are those discoveries which are ontologically distinct from what were *merely conventional*, but pre-existing sorts of relevant earlier discoveries. That required precaution, is not confined to actual discoveries of what are truly universal principles. On this same account, the inferior agency is "the credulous over-estimation of the mere brain as such." The latter, in general, is a subject to be treated as being excluded from the ontologically distinct, higher, reality of the "actual human mind."⁴ The two should be recognized as distinctly separate, but interactive, respectively higher, or lower categories contained in a circumstance of conflict, as I shall show here now.

For example: William Shakespeare also made the most relevant point respecting relevant human knowl-

^{4.} This refers to the uniqueness of the voluntary distinction of the human mind, from that of all species of life: the power to create new categorically higher physical powers of the mind of the properly developed mind of a member of the human species, such as Cusa, Kepler, Shakespeare, Gottfried Leibniz, Johann Sebastian Bach, Friedrich Schiller, Carl Gauss, Bernhard Riemann, Max Planck, Albert Einstein, et al.

edge on this fact, in his own fashion.⁵

So, as in the case of the appropriately chosen examples of Max Planck and Albert Einstein, the discoveries of truly original physical (or comparable) principles, were, in such instances, frequently discoveries of solutions for problems of certain universal principles, principles which were great accomplishments on their own account; but, which, have, nonetheless, been accomplishments, as for all the best among us, which have remained largely unresolved on crucial points. I mean, as I shall explain in the following argument, that we now require a far more aggressive standard for solutions of these apparent categorical contradictions. These were solutions



Wilhelm Furtwängler's direction of Schubert's Ninth Symphony "ranks as the greatest definition" ... "of the Classical musical principle." Furtwängler is shown here conducting the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra in Schubert's "Rosamunde Overture," in January 1951.

which had not actually existed *previously* in knowledge, until the appearance of a thoroughly unique discovery which was presented at a time when the discoveries of the predecessors had been outdated by a discovery of a new, uniquely original conception of an actually new principle which had then been made and shown as an introduced relatively new principle of action.

This solution which I have just referenced, appears, to the best of present evidence, but only in the rarely actually understood, categorically higher faculties of the human mind. As I shall show, through successive layers of steps, the most crucial elements of the actual evidence which I shall present, layer by layer, and step by step, as the false belief in a notion of "sense-certainty," is at the root of every false presumption of certainty which is common to mankind. The knowledge is ancient and yet rare; but, the successive discoveries of Nicholas of Cusa and of Cusa's follower Johannes Kepler, present us with steps into a clear understanding of the foolishly systemic error embodied in the belief in "sense-perception" as "self-evident." I shall now continue to emphasize that distinction, but step by step, in this present chapter and its sequels. The case, as you should be able to discover, on due reflection, is already essentially provable as a properly defined fact, as I shall show the essentials of the matter later in this present chapter. More relevant qualifications will follow after that.

Obviously, this point of mine requires more than some simple explanation. It is a point which I introduce progressively as within the remainder of this chapter.

First, on account of the point which I have just introduced here above, I present the following.

Truly original discoveries in physical science, such as the discoveries of Cardinal Nicholas of Cusa, as in his **De Docta Ignorantia**, would be brought better into actual reach by, most notably, Cusa follower Johannes Kepler's extensive work in presenting and defending the actual intention underlying the notion of *vicarious hypothesis* as that was accomplished by Kepler himself, or, as that just-stated intention is supplemented by the related functions assigned to *metaphor* in Classical artistic composition. The customary, popular, but mistaken interpretation of Kepler's stated reading, is wrong as a matter of principle.

^{5.} The nature of the originality of discoveries in the category of universal physical principles overwhelms, *systemically*, any attempt to adduce such discoveries of principles from merely "brain" functions. The point is illustrated by evidence of the ability of relevant persons to foresee a willful quality of development which could have occurred only in the actual future of any relative point in the system. *Hence, we must take into account the essential distinction of the mere human mind, from the mind of the lower forms of life*!

It is essential to recognize, that the experience of the human mind's function of sense-perception, must not be treated as "self-evidence." For guidance on this point, we should turn our attention to the subject of *a true metaphor*.

For the case of *metaphor*, take as an explicit example, the subject of the dramas of William Shakespeare, as in his exemplary introduction of the crucial principle of the *Chorus* in his **King Henry V**. Or, similarly, in the exact-same formal ontological principle introduced to Classical composition which has been central to Friedrich Schiller's **Wallenstein Trilogy**, and, now at a few centuries' later time, Wilhelm Furtwängler's most extraordinary achievement, in his celebrated post-World War II direction of Franz Schubert's **Ninth Symphony**. Such is the record of all the great discoveries expressed as both science, and, or, great Classical composition and its performance. It is such originally unique discoveries, and related performances, which mark the distinction of creation from the mere entrails of deduction.

The supplementary conclusion which those juststated observations require, is of that nature which is properly considered as a *noëtic* generation of the actual discovery of new physical principles, or, comparable achievements in Classical artistic composition which identify the rigorous employment of the term, *creative* (*e.g., original*) *discovery*: the plant had died, but the offspring of the already created future still flourished.⁶ Such an apparent allegory, marks the essential distinction of the human mind from the beliefs which might be attributed to the beasts, or, otherwise, crucially impaired systems of human opinion.

I have thus, just stated the notion of the case. Now, I explain as follows.

The particular distinction of the human mind, as distinct from the mind of inferior living species, lies, for our consideration here, at the roots of modern European civilization of science and its history. It is to be recognized as that creative impulse which, ostensibly, is expressed as the best of our present quality of knowledge: I mean that known characteristic which distinguishes our living human species as distinct from all other presently known, other living species.

This same is the characteristic which, to such effect,

empowers the human individual mind's choice of implied creative opportunity. It does that, uniquely, as an individual species, if it were to be shown that we have seized the opportunity to become *as if qualitatively, an individual of a virtual new species* (relative to the "static" principles of relatively lower, "earlier" states of a species of life) *in his or her own characteristics:* that, rather than as a merely new variety of the same species as such independently. *I.e., an intrinsically noëtic quality of the development, or self-development of the individual human personality.* This is a condition, which, when it is successfully imposed on the ability to embody a new species of functional individuality is a "creative personality."⁷

It is to be stressed in defense of the type of case as presented here this far, that: each individual person should seek, in oneself, a meaningful contribution to the growing roster of enrichment of the human species in its ontologically fruitfully, extended totality.

Some Pieces of Explanation

As I have emphasized this on earlier occasions, there could be no competent insight into the implications of more advanced considerations of Solar-System space, without recognizing a certain fact already known specifically to such notables in history as Johannes Kepler and William Shakespeare: I mean Kepler's discovered principle of *vicarious hypothesis*⁸ and the related case of his contemporary's, William Shakespeare's working-principle of *Chorus*, as that was first publicly demonstrated "experimentally," in the course of Shakespeare's **King Henry V**.

Pedagogically, **King Henry V** is the more convenient point of reference for our immediate use here, since it, as like all truly Classical artistic composition, reflects a practical and generally fundamental principle of human psychology. The same relationship to progress to be found in cases such as the role which Shakespeare assigned to *Chorus*, also applies to Friedrich Schiller's **Wallenstein Trilogy**, or, to the **Preludes and Fugues** of Johann Sebastian Bach, and to Wilhelm Furtwängler's unique achievement in effecting a profoundly insightful quality of direction of that most re-

^{6.} What a certain "British bastard" dubbed "neotony," does occur as a driving force in the history of mankind; but, it could never mean any-thing actually "good" in those circumstances. The "bastard," in the referenced case, was actually born on its own account; but, the fact of the matter was, that that method generated nothing actually worth praising.

^{7.} E.g.: the intention is to create a systemically new personal species from among an assembly of individual personalities which were defined functionally within the evolutionary development of such sets of definitions.

^{8.} The original conception had been that of Nicholas of Cusa, as presented in Cusa's **De Docta Ignorantia**.

markable achievement, his *post-World War II* performance of Schubert's **Ninth Symphony**.

The difference between truth and "sense-certainty," is that sense-perceptual processes are merely matters of the whims of those undeserved beliefs which are, in fact, as Shakespeare demonstrated in terms of his King Henry V, merely shadows cast by sense-perception, not the so-called "real thing." This distinction is first presented to us in an efficient way, only once we recognize that sense-perception is merely sense-perception, as Johannes Kepler echoed Nicholas of Cusa's De Docta Ignorantia, and just as William Shakespeare presented, wittingly, the meaning of what is merely sense-perception, rather than efficient cause. The experience of truth lies not in mere sense-perception, but, rather, the recognition of "the factor" of the certainty of sense-uncertainty, precisely as Kepler actually defines vicarious hypothesis, and as Shakespeare does with his emphasis on the universal principle of sense-uncertainty, as Shakespeare's use of Chorus accomplishes the same intention for effect.

True science and true Classical artistic means, are the common feature of the highest generally known category of truly creative science. That is the practical meaning of "Classical artistic composition in both physics and artistic composition."

"In other words," it is the belief in literal "sensecertainty" which is merely the shadow of what it is actually not. To attain the actual truth of a matter of content, we must shift the emphasis from sense-perception, to recognize that it is the sense-perception which is actually the mere shadow of the event, and not the insight of the organ of truth.

Sense-perception by human individuals, is to be considered in the manner that Kepler followed Cusa's De Docta Ignorantia, with the developed and stated principle of vicarious hypothesis. Or, consider the location of the root of intended meaning in J.S. Bach's sets of **Preludes and Fugues**: the principle of *metaphor* has the same implications as is embedded in the method of Bach. All actually competent expressions of the intention of the Classical composer, are to be located similarly: located in the concept of the intention, or meaning of the actually Classical composer or performer. Thus, Franz Liszt and his followers, are not only inherently lacking in a true compositional intention worth actually mentioning: they substitute their chosen "literalness" of intention, for a reality which exists as reality only in the same "place" as the adduced intentions of Cusa, Kepler, Shakespeare, et al. It is the motive, the motivating intention, which is the truth expressed in the willful human action. Perhaps, the courts of law might finally recognize the inherent fallacy permeating the presentation of what is conventionally preferred as evidence. The evidence is potentially clear, even absolutely clear, if what we have stated above were recognized, and then turned around properly to make the actor the evidence, and, often, the pleading of the actual crime.

As the two sets of preludes and fugues of Johann Sebastian Bach demonstrate the point in practice, it is the performance made according to the intention of Bach himself, not a merely "selected," "mere interpretation" of a "faithfully served" printed score, which defines Bach's intended meaning, however honorable the printing of the score itself. The principled characteristic of my argument respecting the reading of Bach's work, is to be fairly recognized as to truth of intentions by insightful consideration of the transcendent true creative genius of Wilhelm Furtwängler's heretofore, absolutely unique quality of authoritative direction of the post-World War II particularly great, culminating performance (among all of even his own deliveries) of Schubert's Ninth Symphony. That specifically unique edition of Furtwängler's direction of that subject ranks as the greatest definition on the frontier of the Classical musical principle.

Respecting Furtwängler's great achievement then, the systemic character of the inability of even relevant great talent to express itself in such a fashion as Furtwängler's delivery of the great version of his unique achievement in that specific performance of the Schubert, attests to the reality, that something comparable has, apparently not yet been achieved again in music, since. We must consider that fact as due less to the Classical principle of composition and performance, than that Furtwängler had been the last director capable of challenging the relative deficiency of the capabilities of even those only relatively best, who found themselves incapable of daring the scientific quality of discovery of principle, whereas what Furtwängler himself had achieved in that marvelous work was, historically, a "swan song" of musical creativity for nearly a century to this date. The present times of presently living generations, have been the bequest of the age of President Harry S Truman; unlike those who actually remember either Furtwängler or Franklin Roosevelt, the present generation lives, instead, morally, in a virtually dead new dark age.

In point of fact, since the age of Truman and Churchill, or the age of the current trash-bin quality of British minister Tony Blair, others did not dare challenge the decadence of their own age seen in the manner of fraud and butchery which Blair continues to wield from his connections as an utterly shameless virtual master of Satanic horrors now inhabiting the ruling British cabinet of U.S. President Barack Obama. The cause of sanity among the trans-Atlantic company of nations is no longer actually civilized: the would-be modern Neros, or their would-be successors, have been lately those most visible among the reigning trans-Atlantic and related nations.

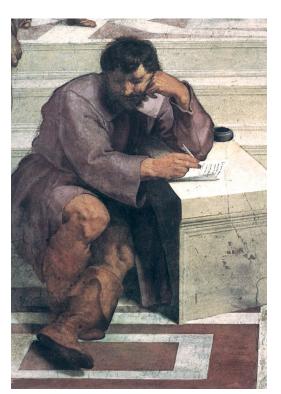
The hope must be, that more leaders in the U.S. government might come forth to regain their own lost honor.

The Subject of Human Creativity

What I have written here this

far, has touched only implicitly on the subject of human creativity.

The emerging subjects which I am presenting here in their—so-to-speak—making have a particularly convenient aspect bearing upon the same purposes of my subject-matter here. I mean, that it is essential, that we first attend to the fact that the very notion of a simply geometric form of existence in the universe, is, when taken literally, a sickness, not a triumph of science. To present this particular issue efficiently, it is sufficient to recognize that, as I have pointed out earlier in this report, the universe does not obey reductionist presumptions of what were mere arithmetic pretending to be principles. All existence, for us, is in the specific quality of motion which coincides with the notion of life, whether, or not, it appears to be life. To restate that point of Classical knowledge in its most elegant expression: nothing exists except change! Life, as we know it properly, is known to us as something coincident with a superior universal principle of Heraclitus, successive



"Life, as we know it properly, is known to us as something coincident with a superior universal principle of Heraclitus, successive measures of progress in permanent change, especially respecting the universe insofar as we know it as an experience." Shown: Heraclitus, as portrayed by Raphael, in the "School of Athens" (1509).

measures of progress in permanent change, especially respecting the universe insofar as we know it as an experience.

The substrate of existence, is itself such an echo of a principle underlying that of life. The notion of life, therefore, hangs upon the notion of not a customary state of "old shoe" fixedness, "sameness," but change. The universe as we experience it, is in no way independent of such a notion of a principled ordering of "permanent change." Life, especially human life, and most especially creative states of selfdevelopment of human life, is, for us, up to this time in our knowledge, the primary point of reference for everything-at least everything about the existence of us.

A Certain Policy

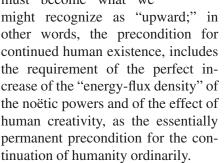
Furthermore, for us, who take into account the subjectmatter which I have promoted here, the factor of the power of

the human will to affect the course of the universe which we might experience, directs mankind's specific potentialities, initially, as being unique within our present knowledge and practice. It is the fact that we are enabled, to change the principles of human action, and to demonstrate that to be evidence of a relatively universal activity of transformation in growth and qualitative revolutions in development, which compels us fiercely, if we are good, to change the universe we inhabit, in a certain respect, without submission to tradition for tradition's sake.

Such a selected standpoint for our discussion, affords our human species a relevance which could not be made known to our experience otherwise.

That is to emphasize, that we must exert increasingly efficient control over the essential aspects of that universe which we inhabit; we inhabit a determining, but self-evolving principle, by which we are properly measured, and by which we must measure in turn. It is our destiny as human, and is also the effect of our obli-

gations. It is an absolute in apparently permanent motion, by which we must measure ourselves, if we are wise enough to do so. What enables us to show ourselves to be what we really are, is the fact that we have access to exerting control over the process which is the government of our constantly changing self-development. The particular requirement is that that development must become what we

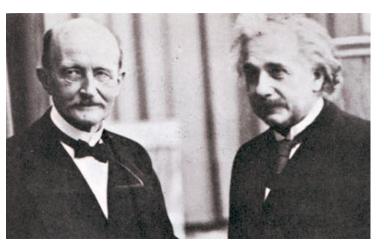


Stating matters in the fashion I have just done, is the most useful way of presenting the case to one another among us. The Anglo-Dutch empire is, for example, naturally, to be seen presently as the deadliest, presently known, "green" menace against the continued existence of our human species. If there were a Satan, that same Empire is either it, or its missionary.

That much said this far, what I have said in the preceding paragraphs of this section is placed in position.

Two forms of Life selected: II. Life as Such, and as Mind

Here, within this present stage of the report, I have chosen to identify a manner for focus of attention to dealing, categorically, with two of three typical selections from among forms of life as so defined currently: (1) plant, (2) animal, and (3) human. For our purposes



Max Planck (1858-1947) and Albert Einstein (1879-1955)



Wolfgang Köhler (1887-1967)

Modern mankind seems to have lost "the natural human ability to perform those higher noëtic capabilities which are to be deemed as functionally normal human creativity," LaRouche writes. That noëtic quality of mind is to be found in the collaboration between Planck and Einstein, and also between Planck and Köhler.

in general, as compared with what might be considered as the certain features of some among the quasi-animal-like limitations adopted among some categories of many humans, including forms of cultures imposed upon "slaves, serfs," and also "the common wealthy and other predator types," as compared with (3) the outstanding function of the capabilities e well-performed role associated with

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three categories for our use here,

may be fairly limited, for pur-

poses of this discussion, to place

emphasis on the distinction be-

tween: (2) the animal's' "mind"

specific to the well-performed role associated with many among the participants in the expressions of the actively noëtic specifics of the human mind's action *per se.*

The most notable of the distinctions on this account, is the fact that what might have been identified as the *actually creative* human mental processes, have been injured, more or less widely, to the effect of appearing to have lost what must be considered the natural human ability to perform those higher *noëtic* capabilities which are to be deemed as functionally *normal* human creativity, a lesson *from which we should derive* a working notion of what should be its actively creative (e.g., *noëtic*) capabilities.

The Human Noëtic Principle

For the purpose of that discussion of this matter, take into account, two most appropriate examples of cases of prominent modern scientists from the turn of the Nineteenth Century, into the Twentieth, as Max Planck, Albert Einstein, and, in the latter century, the highly relevant collaboration between both Planck and Wolfgang Köhler, on the subjects touching on "mind as such," which I had stressed in the preceding chapter.

These require a quality of creative collaboration which typifies relatively outstanding, often famous cases of persons who have actually produced forecast discoveries of universal physical principle, as contrasted with what were merely the more common, deductively crafted, even otherwise relevant discovery. My essential contention on this matter, pertains to the evidence showing that any human being may be potentially enabled, through adequate personal development and related, and enriching experience, to break through the so-to-speak "walls of evolutionary time." That is an intention which should tend to have fostered the function of scientifically valid principles of true forecasting; I mean, in effect, what should have been the naturally human discovery of an "event/condition" which had been yet to occur, fully, in reality, although such a forecast itself had subsequently occurred, as in both of those two-plus-one famous leading cases which I have referenced here.

Certain foolish opinion tends to insist, at the least implicitly so, that the successes of such as Planck and Einstein in their own domain of physical science, may have been "lucky guesses," "successful gambles," or, "statistical uncertainties," rather than having been the actually sought-out certainties which had earlier "overthrown" the accepted standard certainties of that pitiful collection which is to be identified as the "sorry caste" of the pathetically strict mathematical reductionists.

The point to be emphasized here and now, is that the table of numbers as merely such, has no actual competence within those categories of alleged "science," categories into which the *de facto* mere mathematicians have often, quite foolishly gone, far beyond the powers of their extremely modest competence, as if to seek to make their domain of foolish fantasies a universal empire of their own. For such as them, nothing actually exists outside the pure elementarity of the simple passage of mechanical clock time. The Solar system and its

product, *does not "exchange" any magnitude in a change which fails the standard* which the ancient Heraclitus is cited as insisting on: "Nothing is permanent except change" *per se* [the relentless fruit of permanently constant change].

Heraclitus' celebrated aphorism applies with simple scientific literacy, as a correlative of the notion of universal physical principle. Such is the principle of a determined quality of the existence of all forms of life, including the life-like evolution of the planetary system and its content. Therefore, bare mathematics must be a virtually demented, fully obedient slave of the consent given to the existence of a universal principle of life which it itself does not know. Consequently, to remedy such follies as that, an essential attribute must be located, specifically, in the department of the kind of physical science which is expressed by the greatest scientific minds of modern history (among others); and, its very existence lies, ultimately, under the reign of the universal principle of life as such.

Therefore, it follows, that the standard for such occurrences from within the domain of true foresight, is the actual occurrence of knowledge of principles which were actually known by the relevant author of the subject-matter, but could not have been competently crafted by a merely deductive kind of "chopping" practice. I select my reported knowledge respecting such cases, to include certain known forecast discoveries original to me, and, thus, to situations in which scientific, or comparable certainty, is achievable as if "that subject precedes the mere fact per se." The subject whose treatments I am presenting here now, is a matter of known experimental discoveries taken from the projected future of what might be the formal empirical deductive valuation, one whose empirical demonstration had not yet begun to be experienced.

This category of distinctions converges on cases of what might be defined, alternately, as conditioned to serve as, either, relatively masters (the *noëtic* approach), or slaves. The people of such categories as that, including Wall Street "slaves of the market" in gambling and gamblers, allow themselves to be degraded (speaking relatively) to virtually mere "talking animals," rather than speaking for the souls of truly independent human individuals. Unlike the truly human, their direct opposites, the Wall Street creatures, are condemned to create that which is less than nothing, to replace that which is actually useful, categorically, to mankind. Like any victims of a slavish worship of worthless objects, the latter creatures, such as "the Wall Street gang," are victims of being induced to become intrinsically worthless persons, as typified by the progeny of the Dodd-Frank scheme. They become persons who could honestly claim to own nothing as much as what is, in fact, their own increasing social worthlessness for mankind generally, and who, therefore, actually deserve to gain nothing more than an actual ever-less-than-nothing, as does the current British Queen and her personal current "toy" U.S. President, Barack Obama.

That much just said, "as if to clear some decks," we are now freed to turn our attention to the principal business of this present chapter, *human creativity*, as follows:

The Subject of Human Creativity: Metaphor

The successful performance of the human species, is to be located in a per-capita rate of increase of the typical rate of physical growth of the net output of the human species, per capita and per unit of time, as this might be measured in units of "energy-flux density," rather than the silliness of "Cardinal Numbers." Unfortunately, the presently reigning trend in economies, is what has been rather widely called "the green policy," since no later than the early 1960s. So, the misdirection of the human population's shifts in conditions of human life, as in the United States and Europe, for example, has been under the influence of an increasing withdrawal of population and relevant public institutions from any actual sense of what might be called a normal form of human reality. Since the installation of President Harry S Truman, one could trace an accelerating process of moral-intellectual decadence permeating official institutions and popular opinion, alike. Since then, the anointing of Harry S Truman and the spread of popular opinions on economic policy, has created a trend of public and private morality and circumstances of personal life, which have been predominantly downward in quality, and that downward trend accelerating. That condition has been the most so, remarkably, since the assassinations of President John F. Kennedy and, later, his brother Robert. Yet, I also recall vividly the origin of the moral decline of the general U.S. population over the period since the time of the incumbency of Harry S Truman.

Looking back now, Franklin D. Roosevelt was a

matchless hero of our Twentieth-century United States.

For example, since the emphasis on the introduction of the surge centered in the person of the current British monarch, the trend has been, increasingly, toward either the extinction, or near mass-extinction of the present human population, an effect of what the oligarchical interests centered in the Anglo-Dutch imperial monarchy presently demand. This is why they regard as a very large advantage, a rate of general decay of the standard of individual human existence in such places as the United States and Europe.

In the latter case, and also in other major regions of the world, the trend in the populations, is in the direction of probable relative, or even total extinction, a practice in accord with the recent and current policies of the trans-Atlantic regions under the current common domination of the Americas and Europe by the progenocidal policies decreed by the current British (i.e., "Anglo-Dutch") monarchy spun off from the tradition of the atrocities of the Seventeenth Century of the House of William of Orange, and by the present Queen who still serves as an installed replacement for the performance of the duties earlier assigned to such as the Roman Emperor Nero.⁹

Those are relevant facts for making broad comparisons and tracing historical connections, but, once taken this far, they fail to get to the heart of the matter. Nonetheless, let us proceed along those lines; some crucial points must, first, be brought together, given a bit of patience in this matter.

^{9.} This reference to Queen Elizabeth II is simply a matter of fact. Her declared intention to bring about a rapid reduction of the populations of nations, as in the order from seven billions to approximately one, is to be regarded as tantamount to an avowed policy of genocide on a virtually global scale, and as something only like the passions of a wretch such as Britain's mass-murderous rascal, the Queen's own Tony Blair. In the meanwhile, the economic policy of genocide against the population of the United States itself, as in respect to U.S. food and related policies, is not an authorship of merely mass-murder in the scheming, but mass-murder already on-going into acceleration. One remedy which might be proposed on that account, would be to break-up the current British (i.e., Anglo-Dutch) empire, by reforming its composition to reduce the present British kingdom to its original root of social-political elements, or to a somewhat comparable arrangement. History attests: small nations tend, sooner or later, and with some exceptions, to be more inclined toward peacefulness than inherently corrupt, even evil degrees of aggregation such as the British Commonwealth and its attachments currently. The United States would have completed a relatively excellent record for itself, on this account, on the condition that British finance, such as that of Wall Street were sufficiently constrained, or closed down if truly necessary.



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Since the Truman Presidency (1945-53), there has been a downward trend of public and private morality and circumstances of personal life, which dramatically accelerated following the assassinations of John F. Kennedy and, later, his brother Robert. The two are shown here outside the Oval Office, March 28, 1963.

The Necessary Approach

For the matter which I have introduced, this far, as on the subject of the policies which must regulate the life and development of national economies, we must now introduce, urgently, a physical-economic standard, rather than the currently prevalent monetarist one. The leading relevant principle is, that the standard for the role of currency must not be a monetarist system, but a purely physical one, as was implicit in the profound successes of the exceptionally successful quality of the actions of the original U.S.A. Treasury Secretary, Alexander Hamilton, rather than any among the present, monetarist ones. The topic which must now be brought forward, prior to the presentation of any intended future standard, is the human standard, rather than the monetary one. This brings us to a consideration of the central issue put before all other issues now, provided that the presently ruling, wildly ruinous, monetarist policies, are cancelled. The notion of physical wealth, rather than a monetary standard for designing prices and profits, is strictly imposed. Glass-Steagall is the only model which could be successful in any part, or the whole of the world under the presently ruined, and rapidly degenerating global economic and social conditions.

Chapter III: The Matter of Money Why 'Glass-Steagall' Now?

To accomplish that task, now, it must be done now, because it were most likely, that the presently miserable destiny of mankind for the period immediately ahead, requires, of the world at large, the choice of a U.S. initiative in re-enacting the precisely original version of the Glass-Steagall law in the United States of America, first. That is a choice of a practically feasible measure under present world economic-policy practices and circumstances, rather than any consideration for egotistical preferences among nations. The entire world urgently needs, immediately, a "full blown" rescue of the world's respective national economies, a result which could not be assured by any other means than a strict copy of the specifics of that original Glass-Steagall law which had been launched under President Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

The obviously leading objection to an exact recopy of Glass-Steagall now, comes essentially from the same monetarist packs of swindlers who have clearly dominated not only the United States, but virtually every nation of the world at this present time. That means the rightful choice of sovereign nations is to establish the general system of sovereign national economic systems under a true credit system, rather than the presently unsalvageable relics of a hopeless world system under the standards of monetarism,

The essential characteristic of this global change in policy, is the fact that all of the systems of the nations of the world, have been so thoroughly, and so irredeemably rotted-out, that the only remedy for each and any of those nations, must be mustered for a two-fold measure of rescue from the presently bankrupt parts of the world system, that state of affairs which is to be found among most nations of the trans-Atlantic region and beyond, most emphatically and immediately, but to bring about the assembly of national economic systems premised upon a credit system akin to the initial design of the original U.S. Federal system of credit, as under Alexander Hamilton, rather than a monetarist basis. To illustrate that point, consider, first, the model case for the restoration of the German economy. By illustration, I mean the original D-mark restored as an internal, sovereign national system of current national banking, as during the course of the onset of the German recovery from the effects of what is named "World War II." The reformed such economic recovery for Germany's economy, can be readily structured to dovetail with the restored Glass-Steagall model, without any loss of perfect national sovereignty of practice.

The presently urgently needed reform which I have assigned in this proposal on the subject of the original U.S.A. and Germany cases, can be readily applied to virtually all present (or, now restored) and willing, participating nations of the planet generally.

The "keystone" problem for sovereign nations, other than the original U.S.A.'s original Federal Constitution, needs to be based on the principles of Alexander Hamilton's discovery of the essential, highly and uniquely needed principle, which exists as a fact of history, notably for the nations of Eurasia, but especially "old Europe" as such. That is to emphasize the fact that the de facto European empire (and its foreign-extended subjects) was founded essentially on the basis of the Netherlands' "Dutch" takeover of the British Isles through the actions generated by the House of Orange; this occurred, from the midst of the Seventeenth Century, through the Eighteenth, then, through the Nineteenth, also including the accumulated Anglo-Dutch takeovers of the colonized regions of the world generally.

Those considerations signify that, once the presently captive nations of Asia, Africa and so forth, which had been long saddled with so-called European colonialist tyrannies, will have a much easier time in entering the new system, in certain respects, than nations which had been less thoroughly assimilated culturally to special interests of the state, and therefore had less monetarist garbage to dump into this urgently needed venture of reform. Existing privileges, have had, still, another residue: the terrible effects of a specific, colonial-like subjugation to the occupation by a homeland's own colonial, or "semi-colonial" tyrannies.

To summarize what I have presented in the present chapter, now: what is urgently needed is a set of rapidly installed package-designs of any national credit-system used to replace and excise all willing national economic systems of the world. This intention should incorporate an efficiently durable notion of attempted parity in the trading relationships among relevant nations, and the exclusion of the continued existence of monetarist systems as such. This can be readily accomplished, contingent on "willingness," among any set of future sovereign nation-states throughout the relevant candidates of cooperation to be found among nation-states. The included objective is to rid the planet of abuses, to the extent nations are willing to do this, which is always in order to create a perfectly national-sovereign form of republican system, the which had been both the characteristic of the sovereign successes of the Seventeenthcentury Massachusetts Bay Colony, and of the more difficult creation of the republic of the United States of America, whose original historical basis had been the successful genius of that Massachusetts Bay Colony.

The "scheme," if you prefer to name it as such, is the use of a properly reformed U.S. economy, as based on the original Glass-Steagall model of a sovereign nation-state working in systemic cooperation with other sovereign nation-states.

The particular, gravest of the obstacles to an efficient result of this intended design among nations, is located in the original Anglo-Dutch tyranny which is continued now as the running sore of the presently still virtually world-wide system of the Anglo-Dutch worldempire in fact.

I add the crucially important observation, that, for the sake of the United States, for its part, a necessarily ruthless, but also thoroughly compassionate reform is required, returning the U.S.A. to its original constitutional intention, freed of European tyrannies' effort to destroy even the United States itself, as through the complicity of that British agent Aaron Burr, who had virtually created the wretched President Andrew Jackson, and had launched the attempted destruction of the United States through a medley of British bankers rooted in Aaron Burr's cronies in Manhattan and also Boston, also based in Britain, and the spread of such wretchedness to the takeover of Chicago and other notable places.

The merit in what I have just outlined in this chapter, is that the expulsion of the British imperial reign over the privately based banking systems, would rid us of the massive burden of the evils of foreign Anglo-Dutch swindles which have, so far, virtually taken over the control of the United States' internal affairs. The question is: Have you the guts to do it? If not, it were not kisses which will be exchanged; and Hell itself were the likely outcome. Otherwise, nothing lies before the eyes of the members of Congress, but a continually seeming infinite, surrounding barrage of habitually murderous (i.e., Anglo-Dutch) "British," poorly washed butts.

For me, I know that the actually respectable persons of the so-called British Isles, like the remainder of Europe, in particular, do not need the special burden of the Anglo-Dutch imperial tyranny.

The fruits of victory: Hello, Mars!

Currently, there is a running rash of the worst possible sort of speculations respecting the games which are still being proposed from worse than simply neurotic sources. That subject is currently being addressed by my immediate associates within the science-driver sector of our current intelligence operations. Much might be selected for discussion on subjects such as Mars, much of which is still currently more silly than of current note otherwise. In any case, I foresee no early justification for actual manned deployment onto Mars. Otherwise, long-term possibilities are to be anticipated, even possibly within later decades of present Earthbased developments.

On that account, the very notion of undertaking "colonizing Mars," is a matter for fools, idiots, or rascals during the span of the prospects for Mars later within this century. On this particular subject, what is immediately relevant for quasi-manned space-deployments, are efforts already overdue for the development of quasi-automatic "factories" within an appropriate depth below our Moon's surface. For example, the costs of moving weight from Earth's surface to the Moon, are such, that developing internal elements of preparation for transmissions from Moon to other goals within the relevant regions of the Solar system, selected for such transmissions and transport, will be needed to supply operating elements built up within relative nearby destinations within the obviously appropriate regions of the Solar system.

However, I do not focus on the detailed technologies for such operations; my expressed concern here is the need to dump silly fantasies which have no significant useful options for the early regions of the near-Earth operations within the regions between Earth and Mars. That is to say, that developments essential to closing the gap, without translating humans deployed



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It is time to dispel silly fantasies about sending humans to Mars; instead, we should rely upon a "man-free, Curiosityenriched, Mars surface itself." Shown: an image of Curiosity, combining dozens of exposures taken by the rover's Mars Hand Lens Imager between February and May 2013.

operationally, between Earth and Mars, chiefly to Mars, would serve as a practice of building up accumulated functioning instruments chiefly based on a build-up of such motions suited to useful functions for a man-free, Curiosity-enriched, Mars surface itself.

So much for permissible, or otherwise useful generalities. My treatment of that discussion of Mars' prospects, is premised, for me, by matters in which I command relevant expertise, such as defense of Earth from asteroids and other elements which might be threats to Earth. However, my special competence is chiefly centered in the subject-matters which correspond to the rarely considered, but nonetheless crucially decisive role of metaphor as such in operations affecting both in Earth and relatively near-Earth developments affecting, most emphatically, both Mars itself and the activityrich regions between near-Earth collateral and mankind's options for the relative "vicinity" of Earth and its neighbors within the range of Earth and Mars.

It is the design and development of operations within such a region, which is my choice for such special attention. Again, as I have stressed throughout this present report, my policies are premised on the principled character of my representation of the functions of the human mind which are nominally outside the range of understanding, which I marked out under the title of the principle of the human mind. The case to be considered may be summed-up in the terms which are specific to the span of my corrections of what has been considered, mistakenly, as the principled character of the human mind.

It is the proper study of very wide berth needed for treatment of the usually evaded notions of the nature of the human mind, which is crucial within those terms of the present discussion. This is "where I come in" with my specific kind of relative expression. This has been the inclusive subject-matter of the preceding elements of this report as a whole.

Notably, those popular errors urgently requiring my classwork of remedies, as I have treated such here, as the most essential of the necessary corrected principles for both physical science and of Classical artistic composition and its performance, are crucial. I mean to emphasize, that the standpoint which I have presented in the first chapter of this present report, is the unique basis for the foundation of mankind's attempts at a practical, experimental basis for beginning even to understand the very meaning of the present challenge of man's efforts to break free of the dubious results of attempts to define activity in nearby (and also more distant) space, without the folly of attempting to attribute the activities within both nearby and distant space to the conventional matrix of an inherently fallacious design on a foundation of what are merely proposals for "sense-perception."

So far, in general, man has attempted to explore nearby space within the bounds of the presumptions rooted in the conceptions of mere "sense-perception." To enter that space in a seriously fruitful way, we must first abandon all reliance on mere worship of sense-perception as such. That has been the mission assigned to this report as in its preliminary foundations, and to turn attention away from the relatively childish presumptions of making the relative simple-mindedness of an adopted foundation sought in the useless mire of mere sense-perception.

The foregoing report has now completed its preliminary intended mission.





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Triple Crisis Raises Threshold for Global War

by Jeffrey Steinberg

June 16—The convergence of three global crises has placed the world on the very edge of a potential war of extinction. While no one—not even the most deranged genocidalists within the upper echelons of the Anglo-Dutch imperial system—necessarily intends to provoke global war, the situation surrounding the Syria crisis has reached the point that any one of a number of triggers could ignite the global conflagration.

This danger was reflected in the past 48 hours by a senior Israeli strategist, an advisor to the chief of staff of the Israeli Defense Forces, who commented that Israel is "caught in a Greek tragedy," with no clear exit. He warned that Israel could be driven to carry out a military attack on Russia in the form of the threatened Israeli destruction of Russian S-300 air defense systems that have been promised to Syria, fully recognizing that this could spark a much larger confrontation. The Israeli strategist blamed especially President Obama, asserting that the U.S. had put Israel in an impossible situation, starting with the overthrow of Qaddafi in Libya.

The triple threat can be summarized as follows:

First, the entire trans-Atlantic financial system has reached a new break point, characterized by increased market turbulence, the strong likelihood that a major international financial institution has gone over the cliff. Second, the multiplying scandals hitting the Obama Administration have created even further desperation on the part of the President and his inner circle. And third, faced with this crisis of his Presidency, Obama chose to redirect attention to Syria.

A Confluence of Dangers

The financial system is at a breakpoint: There is a growing recognition that the hyperinflationary quantitative easing policies of the U.S. Fed and the European Central Bank have created an impossible situation in which any effort to halt the hyperinflation could cause an immediate collapse of the entire system. The IMF and the BIS both issued stark warnings this week that the monetary emissions had to continue. Those committed to "saving" the current system have reached the end of the line, where there is no possibility of avoiding another financial explosion—except by reinstating Glass-Steagall bank separation, starting in the United States. The level of desperation has contributed significantly to the escalation of the crisis centered around Syria.

Obama is desperate as scandals close in: The revelation that the National Security Agency and the FBI have been spying on Americans, in gross violation of the First and Fourth Amendment guarantees of free speech and due process, has caused such a public outcry that even some members of Congress have awoken and are threatening action against Obama. The pile-up of impeachable crimes by this President has been highlighted by the sequence of revelations over the past month: Benghazi-9/11; the Internal Revenue Service targeting of an Obama "enemy's list" of conservative organizations; the spying on journalists from Associated Press and Fox News; and now, the NSA mass spying on every American with a telephone, a cell phone, or an Internet account. Gen. Keith Alexander, the director of the NSA, and Robert Mueller, the outgoing head of the FBI, were grilled on Capitol Hill last week, and a group of conservative Republican Congressmen and Senators, joined by Constitutional lawyer Bruce Fein and by the American Civil Liberties Union, have announced class-action suits against the President over the mass spying.

Obama's decision to arm the Syrian rebels raises the threshold for a wider war: A much-publicized "national security review" of the Syria crisis took place beginning on June 9, when the National Security Council Deputies Committee, which includes the CIA, the NSC, the State Department and the Pentagon, held a number of meetings that culminated June 13 with the announcement by Obama's national security spokesman Ben Rhodes that the U.S. would begin arming the Syrian rebels. Rhodes claimed that the U.S. intelligence community had concluded "with high certainty" that the Syrian government had used chemical weapons against the rebels, resulting in between 100-150 documented deaths.

Within 24 hours of the announcement, the *New York Times* and *Washington Post* were reporting that the decision to arm the Syrian rebels had been made at least a week earlier, and that the Syria chemical weapons "red line" was used as the pretext for the escalation in U.S. involvement in the Syria conflict, which has expanded into a regional war, with increasingly sectarian dimensions.

It has been British policy for the past several years to provoke a permanent Sunni versus Shi'ite war within the Islamic world, as part of the policy of permanent chaos and population reduction. In April 2013, the Royal United Services Institute (RUSI), the leading military think tank of the monarchy, released a briefing paper, "A Return to East of Suez? UK Military Deployment to the Gulf," boasting that Britain was resuming its role as the dominant power over the Gulf, a role that it had turned over to the Americans in 1971. In fact, the Obama "decision" to escalate American involvement in the Syria war was imposed on Washington—against the strenuous objections of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and other government agencies. Long before Obama made his announcement, British Prime Minister David Cameron had announced that London had concluded that Syria had used chemical weapons against its citizens and the European Union arms embargo had to end. Cameron was joined by French President François Hollande in pressing Obama to break from the "realists" in his Administration, and jump head-first into the regime-change program against the Assad government.

Russia: WMD Déjà Vu

The great danger emanating from the new phase of the Syria crisis is that it will lead to a direct confrontation between the United States and Russia. Top Russian officials have warned that the so-called "evidence" of chemical weapons (CW) use by Assad is unconvincing (see next article). Contrary to wild propaganda claims to the contrary in the Western media, Putin's Russia is not about to throw Syrian President Assad to the wolves.

Russian arms deliveries to Syria have increased, and as the result, the Syrian Army continues to make military advances on several fronts in the war. When Secretary of State John Kerry met with Putin and Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov in Moscow in mid-May, the Russians promised that they would not deploy the S-300 advanced air defense systems to Syria until after the scheduled Geneva II peace conference.

However, the recent military gains by the Syrian Army—even without the advanced air defenses—have added to the desperation in London, Paris, and at the White House that Assad must be removed from office as soon as possible. The danger of a head-on confrontation with Russia, as the result of this madness, is exactly what the Israeli strategist was warning about. In a *Washington Post* interview published June 15, Israeli President Shimon Peres made it clear that he did not favor escalating the crisis, drawing the United State potentially into another war. His recommendation was for the issue to be handled by the Arab League, leaving the United States, Russia, China, and Europe out of the picture altogether.

Regardless of what level of material support the

U.S. provides in the coming days and weeks, the shift in policy by the Obama Administration has already been seen as a green light for others. Saudi Arabia has announced that it will be providing shoulder-held anti-aircraft weapons to the Syrian rebels. The Saudis have concentrated their financial and military aid towards the al-Nusra Front and other hard-core jihadist factions of the Syrian opposition; and it can be assumed that the more advanced weapons will go to the same players. Prince Bandar bin Sultan, the head of Saudi intelligence, who was deeply implicated in the 9/11 attacks on the U.S., has been pouring resources into the jihadists in northeastern Lebanon, extending the Syrian war directly into that neighboring country. Ironically, there is now a de facto Saudi-Israeli military alliance against Hezbollah, spreading the war beyond the Syrian borders and greatly increasing the likelihood of a regional or even global war.

Democratic Party sources with close ties to the Putin circles in Russia say that the Russian President has given up on any possibility of a "reset" of relations with the United States so long as President Obama remains in office. This view was reinforced when Obama named Dr. Susan Rice as his new National Security Advisor. Rice was the U.S. Ambassador to the UN, when the United States double-crossed Russia and China over the Libya regime-change campaign. Rice has gone overboard on numerous public occasions, assailing Russia and China for continuing to support the Assad regime. Her arrival at the White House as head of national security will deepen the distrust and animosity between Washington and Moscow. Kerry is reportedly furious over the White House actions, which have undermined the joint effort he initiated with Lavrov to reach a diplomatic settlement of the Syria crisis.

In the immediate days ahead, any one of the three simultaneous crises—the trans-Atlantic financial collapse, the danger of a major miscalculation to general war around the Syria conflict, and the desperation of President Obama, facing a barrage of Watergate-type scandals—could push the global situation over the edge.



Haven't We Heard This Song Before?

Here are some of the responses to the Obama Aministration announcement that there was now proof (which no one has yet seen) that the Assad government in Syria had crossed the "red line," and used lethal chemical weapons against the rebels. A number of commentators recalled the infamous, and false charge, by Secretary of State Colin Powell at the UN in 2003, that Saddam Hussein had used WMD in Iraq.

Russia

Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov, June 15: "The [Assad] regime, as the opposition itself is saying, is seeing military success on the ground. Why would the regime use chemical weapons, especially in such small quantities [as is being claimed]? Just to expose itself? From a military point of view, it makes no sense."

Yuri Ushakov, President Putin's top foreign policy advisor, June 14: "The Americans tried to present us with information on the use of chemical weapons by the regime, but frankly we thought that it was not convincing.... We wouldn't like to invoke references to the famous lab tube that Powell showed, but the facts don't look convincing in our eyes.... The alleged weapons of mass destruction program proved to be non-existent after the U.S. conquered the country in 2003."

Alexei Pushkov, head of the Foreign Policy Committee in the lower chamber of the Russian Duma, June 14: "Information about the use by Assad of chemical weapons has been fabricated in the same place as the lies about [Saddam] Hussein's weapons of mass destruction. Obama is taking the same path as George Bush."

Britain

Former Prime Minister Tony Blair, June 15: "It's exactly the arguments we went through over Iraq.... This is no longer a civil war between factions within Syria.... We should be taking a more interventionist line." **Prime Minister David Cameron,** June 13: "I discussed this with President Obama on my recent visit. Our intelligence agencies have been sharing information. We share their view that, as we put it, growing levels of information [exist] about chemical weapons used by the regime and no firm evidence that chemical weapons have been used by the opposition."

Foreign Secretary William Hague, June 14: The UK agrees "with the U.S. assessment that chemical weapons, including sarin, have been used in Syria by the Assad regime. The United Kingdom has presented evidence of the use of chemical weapons in Syria to the UN investigation, and we have been working with our allies to get more and better information about the situation on the ground. We condemn the deplorable failure of the Assad regime to cooperate with the investigative mission.... We should be taking a more interventionist line."

United Nations

Secretary General Ban Ki-moon, June 15: "Providing arms to either side would not address this current situation. There is no military solution to this conflict. The military path points directly to the further disintegration of the country, the destabilization of the region and inflammation of religious and communal tensions.... The validity of information on the alleged use of chemical weapons cannot be assured without convincing evidence of the chain of custody."

United States

Former U.S. National Security Advisor Zbigniew Brzezinski, June 14: "We should be building an international coalition that poses some sort of solution, seriously negotiating with the Chinese and the Russians, involve the Japanese as well.... I don't see any real strategic guidance to what were doing. I see a lot of rhetoric, a lot of emotion, a lot of propaganda, in fact. Instead, we're essentially engaging in mass propaganda portraying this as a democratic war.

"Who is fighting for democracy? Qatar and Saudi Arabia are fighting for democracy?...

"And why did the president issue that particular red line? On what basis? With what strategic concepts in mind? This is what's so baffling about this whole thing.... I do not see what the United States right now is trying to accomplish."

Benghazi CIA Annex and Gun-Running To al-Qaeda-Dominated Syrian Rebels

by William F. Wertz, Jr.

June 14-The Obama Administration's provision of weapons to an insurgent force dominated by al-Qaeda terrorists, against the government of a nation which is a member of the United Nations, is a violation of international law. To demand regime change, i.e., the overthrow of a sovereign nation, and to supply arms to the forces engaged in overthrowing a sovereign nation, is an act of war, and therefore unconstitutional, since war must be declared by Congress, not by the President. While President Obama has now decided to openly provide weapons to al-Qaeda in Syria, the fact is that the administration has been providing weapons illegally to Foreign Terrorist Organizations, specifically in Libya, to the al-Oaeda-affiliated Libyan Islamic Fighting Group (LIFG), which then supplied weapons to al-Qaeda in Syria and al-Qaeda in Mali, in collusion with the Obama Administration.

We have already seen the result in Libya, which has undergone a legal coup d'état since the assassination of U.S. Ambassador Chris Stevens and three other Americans, by Obama's al-Qaeda allies.

The key to pulling the plug on Obama's policy of aggressive war is to determine the truth about the CIA annex in Benghazi. If Congress is not to engage in its own coverup, the issue that Congressional investigators must now answer is: Was Obama—directly or indirectly—transferring weapons to the al-Qaeda-dominated opposition in Syria, in collusion with the LIFG, with which he allied in Libya, in violation of the U.S. Constitution, to overthrow Qaddafi?

Extensive Evidence

The evidence now establishes that Obama broke international law by approving the provision of weapons to the LIFG through Qatar and the U.A.E., and has since broken international law by illicitly supplying weapons to al-Qaeda forces in Syria.

On March 7, 2011, the *Independent* reported that Obama asked Saudi Arabia to supply arms to the Libyan opposition. This occurred despite the fact that the UN Security Council had unanimously imposed an arms embargo to and from Libya on Feb. 26, 2011. In the Spring of 2011, Obama approved the provision of weapons by Qatar and the U.A.E. to the Libyan opposition, according to the *New York Times*. Those weapons did not go to the **Libyan Transitional National Coun**-



Muammar Qaddafi's tent burns as the rebels take over the city of Tripoli, Aug. 24, 2011. After Qaddafi's murder, a UN report wrote, Syria "presented a prominent destination for Libyan fighters."

cil (**TNC**), but directly to the LIFG, according to the *Wall Street Journal*.

The UN Panel of Experts confirmed that Qatar and the U.A.E. violated the UN arms embargo, in reports to the President of the Security Council on March 20, 2012, Feb. 15, 2013, and April 9, 2013.

In respect to Qatar, the UN <u>report</u> states that despite that country's denials, "the Panel stands by its findings that Qatar supplied arms and ammunition to the opposition during the uprising in breach of the arms embargo." The report also points to the collusion of NATO in violating

the UN-imposed no-fly zone and arms embargo. Citing flights organized by the U.A.E., the report states that the flights "received deconfliction numbers from NATO, the existence of the no-fly zone and the arms embargo imposed by the Security Council in resolutions 1970 (2011) and 1973 (2011) notwithstanding."

The report confirms that, since the overthrow of Qaddafi, "The Syrian Arab Republic has presented a prominent destination for Libyan fighters. A number of them have joined brigades as individuals or through networks to support the Syrian opposition.... [M]ilitary materiel has also been sent out from Libya to the Syrian Arab Republic through networks and routes passing through either Turkey or northern Lebanon..... Transfers of military materiel have been organized from various locations in Libya, including Misrata and Benghazi. The significant size of some shipments and the logistics involved suggest that representatives of the Libyan local authorities might have at least been aware of the transfers, if not actually directly involved."

This occurred despite the fact that the UN arms embargo is against weapons not only being shipped to Libya, but also being exported from Libya.

Unraveling the U.S. Role

During the same month that Qaddafi was assassinated, October 2011, **Mustafa Abdul Jalil, the head of the Libyan TNC**, and **Burhan Ghalioun, the head of the Syrian National Council**, reached an agreement for military support to the Syrian opposition from Libya. The **Emir of the LIFG, Abdelhakim Belhadj**, then traveled to Turkey in November 2011 to meet with the Syrian Free Army to provide training and weapons. The same month, 600 LIFG terrorists went to Syria to



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A man-portable air defense missile (MANPAD). Tens of thousands of these U.S. weapons were strewn across Libya after the war, and the militias refused to give them up.

commence military training and operations. They were led by Mahdi al-Harati, deputy commander of the Tripoli Military Council under Belhadj. On Dec. 11, 2011, an agreement was signed in Tripoli among Jalil, Belhadj, Rashid al-Ghannushi (head of the Muslim Brotherhood in Tunisia), Qatari Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Hamad Jabber bin Jassim al-Thani, and the number two of the Muslim Brotherhood in Syria, to provide weapons and fighters to overthrow Syrian President Hafez al-Assad.

This agreement could not have been effected without the support and direction of the Obama Administration.

Various accounts assign responsibility to either elements of the State Department or the CIA. Some reports indicate that the entire operation in Benghazi was a CIA operation, operating under the cover of the State Department. According to <u>Benghazi: The Definitive</u> <u>Report</u>, by Brandon Webb and Jack Murphy (New York: William Morrow, February 2013), the operation was run by now-CIA Director John Brennan outside of the traditional command structure, with Obama's approval. Brennan, as the director of Homeland Security and Counterterrorism, was also the head of the National Security Staff.

The book reports that the United States had been facilitating, or at the very least allowing, large weapons transfers from Libya to rebel fighters in Syria. The authors maintain that this did not fall under the purview of a Foreign Services officer in the State Department, such as Ambassador Stevens, but rather, "Stevens likely helped consolidate as many weapons as possible after the war to safeguard them, at which point Brennan exported them overseas to start another conflict."

What did the State Department say? On Feb. 2, 2012, Andrew J. Shapiro, Assistant Secretary of State

for the Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, said in a <u>speech</u> that the United States was engaged in Libya in the most extensive effort to combat the proliferation of man-portable air defense systems (MANPADS) in U.S. history. Libya had acquired 20,000 MANPADS and, according to Shapiro, only 5,000 could be accounted for as of that date. He further reported that many of the weapons were taken by militias and that many of the militias remain reluctant to relinquish them. Furthermore, he said that "we cannot rule out that some weapons may have leaked out of Libya."

Shapiro reported that in August 2011, when the opposition captured Tripoli, Washington immediately deployed a State Department expert from the MANPADS Task Force to Benghazi, Mark Adams. The initial primary objective was to reach an agreement with the TNC to set up a MANPADS control and destruction program.¹ He pointed out that since the United States did not have tens of thousands of forces on the ground, our efforts had to be carefully coordinated with and fully supported by the TNC. The British government also provided teams and experts, he said.

What Shapiro did not report is that in August 2011, the LIFG's Belhadj led the takeover of Tripoli, thanks to the backing of Qatar, and became the commander of the Tripoli Military Council, in charge of coordinating defense on a national level, under the TNC, and that, on Sept. 4, 2011, he was appointed to the Supreme Security Council. One week after he was appointed to command the Tripoli Military Council, Belhadj (founder of the February 17th Brigade), Ismael al-Sallabi (head of the February 17 Brigade), and TNC head Jalil went to Qatar, where they met with the financiers of the revolution and NATO officials, according to Kronos Advisory, LLC.

Numerous reports indicate that Belhadj was Stevens' liaison to the Libyan opposition when Stevens first entered Benghazi on April 5, 2011, after being appointed the official U.S. liaison to the opposition in March 2011.

It is widely recognized that the LIFG, with which Stevens liaised, publicly demanded weapons, including



Al-Qaeda terrorists in the war against Syria. Everyone knows that the al-Qaeda fighters are the only ones in the "opposition" who are militarily effective. So who believes that Obama's promise to send weapons only to the "good guys" means anything at all?

Stinger anti-aircraft missiles.² And a *Wall Street Journal* article on Sept. 2, 2011, reported that the Qaddafi regime's intelligence files warned that French weapons, including Stingers and Milan anti-tank rockets, were making their way to Libyan rebels via Sudan.

On Sept. 27, 2011, ABC News reported that Peter Bouckaert of Human Rights Watch had taken pictures in Libya of pickup truckloads of missiles being carted off by the Libya opposition. He said: "I myself could have removed several hundred if I wanted to, and people can literally drive up with pickup trucks or even 18 wheelers and take away whatever they want. Every time I arrive at one of these weapons facilities, the first thing we notice going missing is the surface-to-air missiles." Richard Clark, former White House counterterrorism advisor and now a consultant to ABC News, said, "I think the probability of al-Qaeda being able to smuggle some of the Stinger-like missiles out of Libya is probably pretty high."

Shipments to Syria

It is well established that such weapons have been shipped to the Syrian opposition and also to al-Qaeda in the Islamic Magreb. On April 27, 2012, according to

^{1.} Glen Doherty, one of the Americans killed in Benghazi on Sept. 11, 2012, gave an interview to ABC News one month before his death, in which he stated that he was working as a contractor with the State Department to track down and destroy MANPADS in Libya. He said he had traveled throughout Libya chasing reports of weapons and destroying them.

^{2.} According to an article in the *National Review* on March 11, 2011, the *Canadian Globe and Mail* quoted Derna-based LIFG leader **Abdul Hakim Al-Hasadi** saying, ``We need Stingers.'' A March 23, 2011, Reuters report quoted **Fawzi Buktif**, the commander of the February 17th Brigade, saying, ``We need Kalashnikovs, Stingers, anti-tanks, all types of anti-tanks.''.

the UN Panel of Experts report, Lebanese authorities seized a shipment of arms and ammunition destined for the opposition forces in the Syrian Arab Republic. The Panel inspected the shipment and concluded that "the shipment consisted of Libyan arms and ammunition that were transferred to the *Letfallah II* in breach of the arms embargo." The shipment included "SA-24 short range surface-to-air missiles and SA-7b manportable air defense systems, anti-tank guided missiles," etc.

Then, on Sept. 14, 2012, three days after Stevens was killed, the *Times* of London reported that a Libyan ship carrying weapons, including SAM-7³ surface-to-air anti-aircraft missiles and rocket-propelled grenades (RPGs) for the Syrian opposition, had docked in Turkey. The UN has confirmed that the ship was the *al-Entisar*. It sailed from Benghazi to Iskenderun, Turkey, where it docked on Aug. 25, 2012, returning to Benghazi on Sept. 3.

Both of these documented shipments to Syria from Libya, and undoubtedly others, occurred after Obama signed a secret order authorizing the CIA to help coordinate the shipment of weapons by Saudi Arabia and Qatar to the Syrian opposition.

So, on the one hand, beginning August 2011, the U.S. and U.K. were reportedly trying to secure the MANPADS in Libya; but on the other, the Obama Administration, which approved the illegal provision of weapons by Qatar and the U.A.E. to the LIFG, had enlisted that ally to provide arms and jihadists to the effort to overthrow Assad.

While the European Union, under pressure from the British, has now lifted the embargo on sending weapons to the al-Qaeda-dominated opposition in Syria, and Obama himself is now proceeding to openly arm the al-Qaeda-dominated Syrian opposition, the fact is that Obama has been illegally arming the Syrian opposition since early 2012.

Sometime in early 2012, or perhaps earlier, Obama signed a "finding" that permitted the CIA and other U.S. agencies to provide support to the Syrian opposition, Reuters reported on Aug. 1, 2012. The agency added that the U.S. was collaborating with a secret command center operated by Turkey, Saudi Arabia,



Abdel Hakim Belhadj, who was the Emir of the Libyan Islamic Fighting Group (LIFG), led the rebel takeover of Tripoli and later worked to arm the Syrian opposition.

and Qatar near the Syrian border, in Adana, Turkey, which is five miles east of Incirlik, a U.S. air base where U.S. military and intelligence agencies maintain a presence.

The arms airlift which began in early 2012 expanded after the November Presidential elections, according to the *New York Times* on March 24, 2013 ("Arms Airlift to Syria Rebels Expands, with Aid from CIA"): "More than 160 military cargo flights by Jordanian, Saudi and Qatari military-style cargo planes land[ed] at Esenboga Airport near Ankara, and, to a lesser degree, at other Turkish and Jordanian airports." The CIA has been directly involved in this operation, the *Times* reported:

"From offices at secret locations, American intelligence officers have helped the Arab governments shop for weapons, including a large procurement from Croatia.

"Qatar and Saudi Arabia had been shipping military materials via Turkey to the opposition since early and late 2012. Simultaneously, arms and equipment were being purchased by Saudi Arabia in Croatia and flown to Jordan on Jordanian cargo planes for rebels working in southern Syria and for retransfer to Turkey for rebels groups operating from there.

"On a string of nights from April 26 through May 4 [2012], a Qatari Air Force C-17—a huge Americanmade cargo plane—made six landings in Turkey, at Es-

^{3.} In respect to shipments of surface-to-air missiles to al-Qaeda in the Islamic Magreb, AP reported on June 12, 2013 that a detailed manual on how to operate SAM-7s was found in Timbuktu, Mali, which confirms that the al-Qaeda group there is training its fighters to use these weapons, which likely came from Libya..

enboga Airport. By Aug. 8 the Qataris had made 14 more cargo flights. All came from Al Udeid Air Base⁴ in Qatar, a hub for American military logistics in the Middle East.

"American officials have confirmed that senior White House officials were regularly briefed on the shipments.

"Through the fall [of 2012], the Qatari Air Force cargo fleet became even more busy, running flights almost every other day in October.... Soon other players joined the airlift: In November, three Royal Jordanian Air Force C-130s landed in Esenboga, in a hint at what would become a stepped-up Jordanian and Saudi role. Within three weeks, two other Jordanian cargo planes began making a round-trip run between Amman, the capital of Jordan, and Zagreb, the capital of Croatia, where ... the aircraft were picking up a large Saudi purchase of infantry arms from a Croatian-controlled stockpile."

The Jordanian planes bore the logo of the Jordanian

^{4.} While that base is technically a Qatari Air Force Base, there were probably only 100 or so Qatari personnel stationed there, as of 2010, and over 10,000 U.S. personnel. This is clearly a U.S. operation run under Qatari cover.



Financed and deployed by the British-Saudi Empire, al-Qaeda has

been protected by the Obama Administration to accomplish the Empire's global war. In this feature <u>video</u>, LaRouchePAC documents President Obama's use of the al-Qaeda networks to overthrow Qaddafi in Libya, and to carry out bloodly regime-change against Assad in Syria, by the same forces who attacked the U.S. consulate in Benghazi.

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International Air Cargo firm, which the article reports is a front company for Jordan's Air Force.

Summary: What We Know

This is the same modus operandi used in Libya by Obama, who first approached the Saudis to supply weapons to the Libyan opposition. He then approved the provision of weapons to the Libyan opposition by Qatar and the U.A.E., as long as the weapons supplied were not made in the U.S.A.

At present we know:

• that Obama illegally armed the al-Qaeda-affiliated LIFG;

• that there was an agreement reached in Tripoli in October 2011, and then expanded in December 2011, involving Ambassador Stevens' liaison Abdelhakim Belhadj, to arm the Syrian opposition;

• that arms and fighters were sent from Libya to Syria as a result of that agreement, and that Belhadj traveled to Turkey to coordinate the deal;

• that approximately 15,000 MANPADS are unaccounted for in Libya and that some have been sent to Syria and Mali by the militias controlled by Belhadj;

• that the official policy of the United States was to track down these MANPADS and destroy them, and that Glen Doherty was part of that mission;

• that the militias resisted disarming;

• that Obama signed a secret order setting up a base in Turkey to coordinate the shipment of weapons to Syria with Saudi Arabia, Qatar, and Turkey.

The Obama Administration and its allies in the U.S. Senate and House will be content to avoid these issues and address tertiary issues. In order to prevent the disclosure of what was really happening in Benghazi, they will argue that the mission of the CIA in Benghazi is classified. That cannot be allowed to happen. The crime of allying with al-Qaeda and the Muslim Brotherhood in both Libya and Syria to overthrow sovereign governments, without the constitutionally mandated consent of Congress and in violation of international law, is an impeachable offense.

The body of evidence presented here must be immediately investigated by the Congress, and if it is determined that Obama has indeed armed al-Qaeda, as all of the readily available evidence indicates, he must be impeached or forced to resign. Otherwise, the escalation in Syria brings the world to the verge of a thermonuclear World War III.

An Historic Moment for Germany's Constitution

by Rainer Apel

The two days of public hearings on June 11-12 at the Constitutional Court of Germany, at its seat in Karlsruhe, drew intense attention both inside and outside of Germany: Hearing testimony for and against the Eurozone's facility for bailouts, the European Stabilization Mechanism (ESM), and the massive bond-purchasing programs of the European Central Bank (ECB), the Court is the only one in all of Europe with the authority to deal with Constitutional challenges against these two leading European institutions. Even if the Court were, as in previous such cases, to basically rule in favor of "Europe," and only pose certain restrictions and conditionalities on the ESM and ECB, bailouts of the Eurozone banks could not be continued on the same scope as in 2008-12-at least not through these two institutions.

Faced with difficulties in carrying out the bailouts, since the expected big capital flows into the ESM from outside of Europe have not materialized, the European Union and the Eurozone are preparing bail-in procedures that would simply grab deposits without the consent of the depositors; but these procedures are not in place yet, at least in part because the German government is being especially cautious at this time, with national elections coming at the end of September.

At the Court hearings, the government and the probailout majority of the parliament, tried, as in previous such cases, to convince the judges to dismiss the eight legal challenges on sophistical grounds. The challenges, the government said, were on "European," and not national, issues, and therefore not in the purview of this Court. The Court did not give in to this arrogant posture, and declined to dismiss the cases, stating that if it could be proven that ESM and ECB measures were not authorized by either the German Constitution or by existing EU treaties, the Court had the authority to rule against them. After some back and forth on the procedures and competences, the hearings began with the pleadings of the plaintiffs, delivered by their legal representatives.

The high point of these arguments was the one by Professor of Public Law Dietrich Murswiek, who said, "This hearing is an historic moment" and the ruling which the Court will make "could prove to be the most important ruling in decades, and for decades to come." The ECB's policy of interventions, outside of any democratic control, is typical for a "euro rescue" policy which is ruining democracy, Murswiek charged. The ECB was apparently acting on the assumption that seeming "economic success" justified everything, even if this "success" was, in reality, a failure. To claim that rescuing the euro had to occur "at any price," was the "most irresponsible statement," doing damage to democracy, Murswiek said.

Not Democracy, but 'Expertocracy'

The ECB is not legitimized by democratic procedures, but rather is based on "expertocracy," Murswiek said, and a red line has been crossed: "Now, the point has arrived, at which the Constitutional Court has to apply its own principles. The line of euro-rulings so far has been to put up warning signs, to build in restrictions, but otherwise give the go-ahead for the politicians—the famous 'Yes-But' rulings," Murswiek said. "This line cannot be pursued any longer. The Senate [Court] is faced with the limits it has formulated itself, before. That is the historic moment. A 'Yes-But' will no longer help. Now, there is a demand for a clear 'No.'"

The financial markets will scream against such a ruling, Murswiek said, but "were democracy to capitulate to the banks, it would be lost.... The state under the rule of law must not give in to the pressure, which, after all, does not come upon us like a natural event, but is being created by the players of the financial markets themselves." Murswiek's excellent argument resembled many of the points made in the ongoing anti-euro, pro-Glass-Steagall campaign of the LaRouche movement in Germany (the Civil Rights Solidarity Movement/BüSo, led by Helga Zepp-LaRouche), and in other European states.

Naturally, Murswiek's charges were denied in the counter-pleadings presented by the representatives of the pro-bailout camp, including Finance Minister Wolfgang Schäuble and ECB directorate member Jörg Asmussen, performing their soap-opera of how much they allegedly "care for Europe," and how much they alleg-



The LaRouche movement in Germany (BüSo) has challenged the bailouts and bail-ins of the Euro-dictatorship, with its fight for "The Real Trennbanken-System," i.e., FDR's Glass Steagall. Here, the BüSo organizes in Berlin, March 2013.

edly do to "fight the crisis." Their anti-democratic views were, however, amply exposed by their recurring core argument that the euro crisis posed an unabated "emergency" which required "special and unprecedented interventions," even if the legal basis for these did not exist, and even if they were conducted without the explicit consent of the elected parliaments.

Carl Schmitt: Back from the Crypt

This argument, in favor of special emergency privileges, was then harshly attacked from the side of the plaintiffs, as reviving the thinking of the infamous Nazi crown jurist Carl Schmitt: Andreas Fisahn (legal representative of the Linke party, one of the eight plaintiffs) said that this was leading back to Schmitt and his emergency ideology, at the sacrifice of democracy; plaintiff Markus Kerber, of the Europolis group, also said that this argument had a striking semblance to the utterings of Schmitt, especially his Heidelberg essay on the "constitutional emergency," which attempts to justify the creation of a new institution which would override all other institutions—for the duration of the emergency.

With these two interventions, the issue of "dictatorship" which Murswiek had already pointed to, was addressed in clear terms. Other plaintiffs called on the judges to keep in mind that this Court was the "last institution to turn to for a citizen," to have his rights protected against the supranationalist grab for total power, which the European Union bureaucracy was pursuing.

The question now is, will the Court live up to its responsibility? Will it state a clear "No" in its ruling (which is not expected to occur before the German national election)? That will also depend on factors outside the Court, particularly, on how much resistance and protest against the Eurocrats will surface in the broader public, to increase the pressure on the government to change its views. A wave of public protest, featuring the LaRouche movement in a leading position from late 2007 on, contributed to a ruling of the Constitutional Court on the Lisbon Treaty of the European Union, in June 2009, specifying consultation rights of the German parliament on all key aspects of the European integration process.

And although the Court, in September 2012,

dismissed demands by plaintiffs for an injunction against the newly created ESM, and against the ECB's bond-purchasing, giving a preliminary go-ahead to the government and the Eurocrats, it announced, at the same time, that it would hold extensive, and public, hearings sometime in the Spring of 2013. These are the hearings that were just held now, and they put the alternative on the table: Either the Constitution of Germany, and implicitly also those of the other EU memberstates, will be upheld, or the pro-dictatorship Eurocrats and the monetarist financial markets will prevail. This case at the German Constitutional Court is an historic moment, indeed.

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The Deadline for Reinstating Glass-Steagall Is Upon Us

by Nancy Spannaus

June 17—"Our job is to defend the people of the United States, the United States and its people! The present government is destroying the people, destroying all their rights, taking all their rights away. *Killing them!* And our government can do nothing to defend the lives of our people, against these swindlers, the greatest swindlers known to mankind. They should be *bankrupted!* And there's only one way to do it: Pass Glass-Steagall now. Any member of Congress who is not voting for Glass-Steagall's immediate installation *is a coward, and a traitor.*"

That was the way Lyndon LaRouche discussed the necessity for immediate action in the U.S. Congress, during his weekly webcast on June 14. There is no way to pay the hundreds of trillions of dollars in debt that is being generated by the money economy, he stressed; to try to do it is to kill people en masse—and that is precisely what is presently being done. There can be no delay in reinstating FDR's 1933 law, he said.

In fact, the time is extremely short. Congress is scheduled to be in session until the end of June, after which it goes into a Fourth of July recess, and then comes back for a very short period before a planned August recess. The Congressional leadership, both Obama's Democrats and the Republicans, is wildly misdirecting the attention of the Members away from the one matter—other than impeachment of the President—which would make a positive difference in the lives and the future of the American people: Glass-Steagall.

Congressional Stalemate

Over the last few weeks, despite intense activity by LaRouchePAC and its supporters, the addition of new signers on the Glass-Steagall resolutions in Congress, H.R. 129 and S. 985, has slowed to a crawl.

Since Sen. Tom Harkin (D-Ia.) introduced the Senate bill May 16, no Senators have co-sponsored, and only one Representative has signed on to H.R. 129, Rep. Cynthia Lummis (R-Wyo.), on June 14. Pressure against moving forward on this bill is intense, as reflected in the fact that legislation in the opposite direction, such as lifting all regulation on the foreign trading of derivatives (H.R. 1256), is being rammed through with super-majorities. And in fact, more than a handful of Representatives who have endorsed H.R. 129, were stampeded into supporting this bill, which defends the derivatives that Glass-Steagall's reenactment would wipe out.

Those who have led the effort for Glass-Steagall in Congress have made clear that they are standing on principle. Interviewed by examiner.com journalist Kenric Ward on the occasion of the 80th anniversary of the passage of Glass-Steagall (June 16), Senator Harkin said: "As one of eight senators to vote against repealing Glass-Steagall in the first place, I am proud to offer legislation to reinstate Glass-Steagall. The sensible regulations provided for by the Glass-Steagall Act protected our economy for over 60 years, during which time the United States rose to prominence as the world's largest economy. It is clear from recent history that repealing this Act was a mistake that made our financial system riskier and left our economy vulnerable."

Ward also interviewed Rep. Walter Jones (N.C.), the Republican who co-sponsored H.R. 129 with Democrat Marcy Kaptur (Ohio). He told the Examiner: "Allowing commercial banks—with access to the Federal Reserve discount window and deposit insurance guarantees—to enter the Wall Street casino means they are gambling with taxpayers' and depositors' money. That is wrong and it needs to end."

But it's going to take an upgraded effort from citizens themselves, to convince more Congressmen to act with such moral conviction.

Among those already acting is the Alabama Council of Machinists, a state chapter of the International Association of Aerospace Workers and Machinists (IAM). In a letter dated June 11, the Council urged their Senator to co-sponsor S. 985, and urged other unions to join the mobilization.

Big States Coming on Line

On June 13, New Jersey became the 22nd state to have a Memorial in favor of restoring FDR's Glass-Steagall submitted to its state legislature. Assemblywoman Linda Stender, the representative from Middlesex, Somerset, and Union, put forward Assembly Resolution No. 182, which "urges the U.S. Congress to adopt H.R. 129, the 'Return to Prudent Banking Act of 2013,' in order to strengthen our financial system." So far, Stender, a Democrat, is the only sponsor.

With this action, which comes as a result of intensive organizing in the state led by LaRouche candidate for governor Diane Sare, the movement to restore sound economic growth instead of speculation and gambling now has Wall Street surrounded. Resolutions are before the Assembly in New York State and the lower House in Pennsylvania as well, with more co-sponsors being added every week.

The lead sponsor of New York Assembly Resolution K. 490, Assemblyman Phil Steck (D-110th District), issued a press release announcing his action and its purpose on June 13. The release states: "We can't allow taxpayers to shoulder the burden when the next bank failure happens. Congress must act now to put in place stronger regulations to protect our families and stop banks from gambling with other people's money.... If something isn't done to restore these critical regulations, there is nothing in place to stop commercial banks and powerful CEOs from causing the same mess we had in 2008—

one that we're still trying to dig ourselves out of. Congress must take action and make sure that taxpayers are protected from another unnecessary financial disaster."

At the Top of the Agenda

There has been an increase of media coverage in favor of Glass-Steagall over the past week, in part stimulated by the 80th anniversary of FDR's signing of the original bill on June 16, 1933, an anniversary emphasized by LaRouchePAC organizers. Much of this is in online publications.

Among the tiny grouping of sane bankers who support Glass-Steagall, the motivation is the recognition that the acceleration of massive money-printing is going to create a new blowout crisis, which may make 2007-08 look like a blip on the radar screen. The most notable of these is Daisuke Kotegawa, a former representative of the Government of Japan at the Board of the International Monetary Fund, and member of the Japanese Ministry of Finance during that nation's financial crisis of the 1990s. Kotegawa, whose speech to the April Schiller Institute conference in Germany was previously published in this magazine, recently sent that speech as an Open Letter to the U.S. Congress, in the interest of pushing that body to reinstate Glass-Steagall.

And on the U.S. side, there is former Fed Governor Thomas Hoenig, now vice chairman at the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. In an interview with Germany's *Handelsblatt* business daily, given to its New York correspondent and published June 13, Hoenig charged the banks with using funds for purchasing shares rather than for loans to the real economy. Therefore, banking operations should be separated, he says: "Classic banking and money trade should no longer be allowed to exist one next to the other, in a bank."

Hoenig categorically discarded the argument of separation opponents that investment banking is "systemic" and therefore has to be protected, saying that "only traditional banks are irreplaceable," and that the state should stop granting tacit guarantees to investment banks. "They should leave the investment banks to [the good will of] the financial markets," he said, adding that the next big financial crisis is preprogrammed, and that one should be prepared for it. Banks that fail, even bigger ones, should not be rescued, if they are not banks of relevance for the real economy, he said.

Watch for updated status reports on H.R. 129 and S. 985 at www.larouchepac.com.

Bipartisan Alliance Forms Against Obama's Dictatorship

June 13—Republican Sen. Rand Paul (Ky.), along with Republican Reps. Justin Amash (Mich.), Thomas Massie (Ky.), Mick Mulvaney (S.C.), Mark Sanford (S.C.), and Louis Gohmert (Tex.), held an extraordinary news conference yesterday on Capitol Hill, along with civil libertarian and former Deputy Assistant Attorney General Bruce Fein and leaders of the ACLU and other civil liberties organizations.

Senator Paul has filed the "Fourth Amendment Restoration Act of 2013," which is summarized in its opening as a bill "to stop the National Security Agency from spying on citizens of the United States." The bill is accompanied by a bipartisan bill in the House of Representatives called the LIBERT-E Act, co-sponsored by Amash and senior Democrat John Conyers (Mich.), the ranking member of House Judiciary Committee. The Amash-Conyers bill will be officially filed on June 14. In a joint op-ed published today in the *Huffington Post*, Conyers and Amash state, "Americans deserve to be safe and free. Their elected representatives regardless of political party or ideology should work together to protect their privacy."

In parallel to these legislative initiatives, Paul is also filing a class-action lawsuit against the Obama Administration for its violation of the Fourth Amendment rights of American citizens. Some 250,000 coplaintiffs signed on within the first 48 hours, and Paul intends for that number to increase rapidly to tens of millions.

The Policy of the British Crown

In his opening remarks, Paul declared that the mass surveillance of American citizens not suspected of any wrongdoing, is a gross violation of the U.S. Constitution. He stated that our Founding Fathers rejected the Writs of Assistance issued by the British Crown pursuant to "general warrants" against the entire colonial population, which specified no particulars of the persons or places to be searched, or prior proof of wrongdoing. He stated that the Founding Fathers crafted the Fourth Amendment to prevent such violations of liberty, and that they would be equally horrified to see the actions of this government now, which extend clearly beyond the scope of that Amendment. He noted that it's not even clear whether this surveillance program has worked to defend the safety of the American people, citing the Boston Marathon bombing among other cases. He concluded by asking: If we know the Administration has gone at least this far, how much further have they actually gone? What other Constitutional violations are they committing now? "Enough, is enough!" he concluded. "We want our Constitution back!"

Representative Massie followed, saying that we cannot accept the premise that our government can lie to us for our own good. If we accept that premise, we will never get to the truth about the IRS targeting of American citizens, or what actually happened at the U.S. mission in Benghazi, Libya. We have been lied to by this government, he said. The Fourth Amendment explicitly outlaws the mass surveillance of Americans.

Amash then spoke, declaring that the government has no right under the law to collect data on every American citizen. He again cited the case of British colonial governors issuing blanket general warrants, and stated that the Fourth Amendment outlaws such practice today. He announced that he and Conyers would be introducing their bill into the House of Representatives, and that it was necessary for leaders to rally the American people to defend their rights, if we are to defeat this program and save the Constitution.

Laura Murphy, director of the Washington, D.C., office of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), thanked Paul for his leadership in defending the Fourth Amendment, and announced that the ACLU is filing a lawsuit, *ACLU v. Clapper*, based on the First Amend-



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The Obama Administration's defiling of the Constitution brought together members of the House and Senate with civil libertarians, to announced the introduction of Sen. Ron Paul's (at the podium) bill, the "Fourth Amendment Restoration Act of 2013." Behind Paul (l. to r.): Reps. Justin Amash, Thomas Massie, and Louis Gohmert; ACLU spokesman Laura Murphy, and civil libertarian Bruce Fein.

ment's guarantees of free speech and freedom of assembly. She said that the ACLU's work depends on the confidentiality with which people, including Congressmen, can approach and consult it. That confidentiality has been violated; with the Administration's dragnet of surveillance, the principle of confidentiality exists no more. She said that the days of closed-door briefings and secret court orders must end. Under this Administration's secret interpretation, Section 215 of the Patriot Act can apply not only to telephone and Internet communications, but to all personal information, bar none: tax records, medical records, library records, gun purchases, etc.

Lies and More Lies

Representative Mulvaney also applauded Senator Paul, stating that all avenues must be pursued to stop this violation of Americans' rights. He said that while the White House had promised Congress that it would not "push the envelope" on the language included in Section 215 of the Patriot Act, the "gray area" had allowed a secret interpretation that Congress never intended. We must not be fooled again, he declared. The government loses all moral authority when it violates the public trust. He concluded by denouncing the claim that liberty must be counterposed to security, stating that this dichotomy is a false choice. These two principles are not zero-sum.

Representative Gohmert began his remarks by pointing out the extraordinary diversity of those gathered at the podium in common cause. Here I am, Rep. Louis Gohmert, he said, standing beside the ACLU! I never thought I'd see the day. Politics makes strange bedfellows, they say. Well, this is not politics; this is principle! This invasion of Americans' rights is beyond precedent in our history and cannot be tolerated.

Gohmert detailed how he was lied to by two successive administrations on this matter, and that he takes it personally. In 2005, when he was first elected, the Patriot Act came up for renewal. He was severely troubled by the language he saw in Sections 206 and 215, and pushed to include "sunset" provisions for those two sections, to ensure that they would not be made permanent. After desperate attempts to get Bush Administration officials to respond, he related how he got intimidating calls from the Bush White House and the Department of Justice, telling him to drop his "sunset" provisions, which would force Section 215 to end after a period of years unless Congress renewed it. The more they pushed, the more concerned I got, he said, and those telephone calls convinced him that such "sunsetting" was indeed required. He ultimately succeeded in securing it.

However, he was promised by Bush Administration officials that, unless Americans are communicating with foreign terrorists, they had nothing to worry about—a line that he himself used repeatedly on the floor of Congress. Now he knows that he was lied to, and that there have been radical changes in the interpretation of the Patriot Act that was presented to Congress at the time they passed it. "Some in the Administration say we're not yet in an Orwellian state,"-here Gohmert was interrupted by laughter from the audience and the other speakers—"but of course we are!" The government collects the most personal data from millions of Americans-now we have reason to believe they're using it for political purposes, he said. This information was used by the IRS to persecute political enemies. The government can come into your home, your car; their eye can follow you everywhere, even if you're guilty of nothing. We should be scared. If you're not scared, you're wrong. Benjamin Franklin's message has now come home to roost: If we give up liberty for the sake of security, we deserve neither.

Bruce Fein continued on that theme in his remarks, citing Revolutionary War leader James Otis (1725-83), who denounced the British Crown's Writs of Assistance for "general warrants" in 1761, and that this led to the American Revolution. "From Valley Forge to Omaha Beach," Fein said, "our soldiers have given their 'last full measure of devotion' to protect our republican principles." We have now become a state almost unrecognizable in the eyes of our Founders. We have become imperialistic, "going abroad in search of monsters to destroy," just as John Quincy Adams warned. This is not the republic our Founders intended. Fein ridiculed the "wooden interpretations" of the Constitution which argue that since the authors of that document never mentioned telephones in the Fourth Amendment, it must be legal to wiretap Americans' telephone calls. He concluded by declaring that we must return the Fourth Amendment to what it was intended to be when ratified, and defend our great republic from becoming the victim of the Roman Emperor Caligula who we see ruling us today.

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Abu Zubaydeh Case Shows Fraud Of NSA's Dragnet Surveillance

by Edward Spannaus

June 17—The argument is often heard—from President Obama, to certain Congressional Republicans and Democrats—that the National Security Agency (NSA)'s dragnet surveillance, spying on all Americans, "keeps us safe from terrorism." Obama has been insistent in defending the program of vacuuming up all telecommunications, allegedly to detect and disrupt terrorist plots.

A particularly outrageous version of this argument was made by former Vice President Dick Cheney, in an interview with Fox News Sunday on June 16. Cheney repeatedly claimed that if we had had the NSA spy program before Sept. 11, 2001, we could have found out about the two Saudi hijackers who were in San Diego, and stopped the 9/11 attacks. As *EIR* has repeatedly documented, these were the two hijackers who were financed

by Saudi Princess Haifa, the wife of Prince Bandar, with the funds going through a suspected agent of Saudi intelligence; the hijackers were living in the home of an FBI informant, on whose phone calls the NSA was already eavesdropping!¹

The problem was not a lack of intelligence: It was a willful blindness to (or complicity with) the British-Saudi terrorist axis—which continues to this day.

Both the Bush-Cheney Administration and Obama Administration have lied about the actual source of almost all of today's terrorism, and have ignored and suppressed the evidence of Saudi sponsorship. Were



Wikipedia Commons Had the evidence in the case of Abu Zubaydeh (shown here) been followed through, the financing and sponsorship of al-Qaeda would have been revealed, and the dragnet surveillance of Americans would be exposed for what it is: the imposition of a police state over the United States. this evidence pursued, there would be no need for such broad, indiscriminate surveillance in search of terrorists.

The case of Abu Zubaydeh is exemplary. Had the evidence in that case been followed through, the financing and sponsorship of al-Qaeda would have been revealed, and the dragnet surveillance of all the phone calls, emails, and other electronic communications of all Americans which is being conducted today, would be exposed for what it is: the imposition of a police state over the United States itself.

The Interrogation of Zubaydeh

When Saudi citizen Abu Zubaydeh (actual name, Zayn al-Abidin Muhammad Husayn) was captured in Pakistan on March 28, 2002, he was regarded as the number-three official

of al-Qaeda, its chief of operations. During the raid in which he was captured, Zubaydeh was severely wounded, shot in the stomach, groin, and thigh. Once positive identification was accomplished, he was rushed to a safehouse where his medical condition was stabilized.

What happened during the next days and months has been the subject of numerous accounts. It is generally agreed that, within days, the top officials of the Bush Administration, including Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld and Vice President Dick Cheney, determined that they would deploy a special CIA interrogation team, along with contractors, to apply what became known as "enhanced interrogation" methods to Zubaydeh. Six months after capture, he was reportedly the first captive to be subjected to waterboarding—no fewer than 83 times!

^{1.} See, for example, "9/11 Secrets Partially Revealed," *EIR*, Sept. 16, 2011; "Explosive Evidence of Saudi-9/11 Link," *EIR*, March 2, 2012; "LaRouche: Stop the Coverup of Brit-Saudi Role in 9/11," *EIR*, March 15, 2013; "Re-open the Saudi File!" *EIR*, April 12, 2013.

However, the most dramatic account of Zubaydeh's interrogation is one that has received little attention and is not even cited in the various official investigations of the 9/11 attacks. It was reported by author Gerald Posner in his 2003 book *Why America Slept*.²

According to Posner's account, three days after his capture, Zubaydeh, who was refusing to cooperate with interrogators, was secretly flown to a medical facility in Kandahar, Afghanistan, and placed in a room which was carefuly made up to look like a medical room in a Saudi jail. Two Arab-Americans played the part of Saudi interrogators.

The CIA ran this "false flag" operation, Posner says, in the belief that Zubaydeh would be so terrified of being in Saudi captivity, and of being executed by his captors, that he would become more cooperative with his American captors once returned to their custody. In addition to intravenous devices being used as various types of on-again, off-again painkillers, Zubaydeh was given a new IV with sodium pentothal, often referred to as "truth serum."

"What transpired in the next hour took the American investigators completely by surprise," Posner writes. "When Zubaydeh was confronted with men passing themselves off as Saudi security officers, his reaction was not fear, but instead relief." He suddenly started talking animatedly, and told the interrogators he was happy to see them, and he asked them to call a senior member of the Saudi royal family, giving them the home and cell phone numbers—from memory—for Prince Ahmed bin Salman bin Abdul Aziz. "He will tell you what to do," Zubaydeh eagerly told his captors.

(Prince Ahmed, a nephew of King Fahd, and one of the most westernized of the Saudi Princes, was well known in London, where he ran the Saudi Research and Marketing Group and other businesses,³ as well as in the U.S., where he was known as a collector of thoroughbred racing horses. He was one of the Saudis who were allowed by President Bush to fly out of the U.S. just days after the 9/11 attacks, when all other flights were grounded.)

U.S. intelligence officials were initially skeptical, thinking Zubaydeh was just throwing out Ahmed's name to buy time. After leaving him alone, but under conditions intended to increase his pain and disorientation, the interrogators returned, and told Zubaydeh that Prince Ahmed had denied any knowledge of him, that the phone numbers were wrong, and that he would be executed for disparaging a member of the royal family.

The 9/11 Rosetta Stone

"It was at that point that some of the secrets behind 9/11 came rushing out of Zubaydeh's mouth," Posner writes. In what one investigator called the "Rosetta Stone of 9/11," Zubaydeh laid out the details of what he called his "work" for senior Saudi and Pakistani officials. According to one of the U.S. agents involved with the case, Zubaydeh spoke to his interrogators "as if they were the ones in trouble if they didn't take him seriously."

Zubaydah said the Saudi connection ran through Prince Turki al-Faisal bin Abdul Aziz, the longtime head of Saudi intelligence, the General Intelligence Directorate (GID). He said that Osama bin Laden had personally told him of a 1991 meeting at which Turki agreed to let bin Laden leave Saudi Arabia and to provide him with secret funds as long as al-Qaeda refrained from promoting jihad in the kingdom. Zubaydeh said that he personally attended a 1996 meeting in Pakistan, where bin Laden struck a deal with a high-ranking Pakistani Air Force officer, Mushaf Ali Mir, closely tied to Pakistan's Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI), to procure protection, arms, and supplies for al-Qaeda. Zubaydah told his interrogators that the Pakistani arrangement was blessed by the Saudis.

Zubaydeh also described another meeting in Kandahar in 1998, in which Prince Turki and the Taliban struck a deal whereby Turki promised that "more Saudi aid would flow to the Taliban, and the Saudis would never ask for bin Laden's extradition, so long as al-Qaeda kept its long-standing promise of directing fundamentalism away from the Kingdom."

Posner says that Zubaydeh not only regularly sent funds to al-Qaeda, but that he personally also dealt with members of the royal family other than Prince Ahmed. Here he named, and gave the private telephone numbers for, Prince Sultan bin Faisal and Prince Fahd bin Turki.

When the "Saudi" interrogators told Zubaydeh he was lying, he reeled off more names and details of meetings, which, he said, would confirm his friendship with members of the royal family.

His interrogators then told him that whatever he

^{2.} Gerald Posner, *Why America Slept: The Failure to Prevent 9/11* (New York: Random House, 2003).

^{3.} *EIR* investigators had come across the Saudi Research and Marketing Group and its connections to Osama bin Laden during their 1990s investigations of London-based terrorist networks.

claimed, it was all changed by the 9/11 attacks on the United States. "You have no friends after that," they told him.

Posner continues: "To the surprise of the CIA team watching the event unfold live on video, Zubaydeh said that nothing had changed because both Prince Ahmed and Mir knew beforehand that an attack was scheduled for American soil for that day. They just didn't know what it would be, nor did they want to know more than that."

According to Posner's account, the CIA conducted an extensive probe of Zubaydeh's claims. "Within a month the Agency had a preliminary report. They had found nothing that could definitely prove Zubaydeh a liar. And they had uncovered some minor corroborating evidence about the times and places of the meetings he had mentioned." The CIA "delicately" passed along some of its suspicions to their counterparts in Saudi and Pakistani intelligence. "In less than a week, both countries returned with remarkably similar answers. They assured the U.S. that they had thoroughly investigated the claims, and they were false and malicious."⁴

Not everyone in the CIA was convinced by these denials, Posner says, but creating an international incident and straining relations with these countries, "when they were critical to the war in Afghanistan and the buildup for possible war in Iraq, was out of the question."

As Col. Lawrence Wilkerson (ret.), former chief of staff to Secretary of State Colin Powell, stated, referring to the Bush Administration in 2002, "Its principal priority for intelligence was not aimed at pre-empting another terrorist attack on the U.S., but discovering a smoking gun linking Iraq and al-Qaeda."

Disappearing Witnesses

Within four months, according to Posner, and corroborated by many other sources, three of the Saudi Princes named by Zubaydeh were dead:

• Prince Ahmed bin Salman died unexpectedly of a heart attack at the age of 43, following abdominal surgery, the Saudi news agency reported on July 22, 2002.

• Prince Sultan bin Faisal died the next day in an



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Prince Ahmed bin Salman bin Abdul Aziz (shown here) was named by Zubaydeh as one of the members of the Saudi royal family who would vouch for him. Within four months of the interrogation, three of the princes named by Zubaydeh, including bin Salman, were dead.

automobile accident, while traveling to the funeral of his cousin, Prince Ahmed.

• Prince Fahd bin Turki was found dead a week later, having "died of thirst" while traveling in the Saudi Summer heat.

• Mushaf Ali Mir, by then Pakistan's Air Marshal, perished in a plane crash in clear weather over the North-West Frontier Province, along with his wife and 15 others, in February, 2003.

As to Prince Turki al-Faisal bin Abdul Aziz, he was dismissed as head of Saudi intelligence ten days before the 9/11 attacks, and went on to become the Saudi Ambassador to Britain.

'Pocket Litter'

New York Times reporter James Risen, in his 2006 book *State of War*, provides another piece of the Abu Zubaydeh story. He reports that when Zubaydeh was captured in 2002, among the items he was carrying on his person were two bank cards, one from Saudi Arabia, and one from Kuwait. "This was an extremely rare find," Risen writes, because it showed that Zubaydeh, a

^{4.} In their book *The Eleventh Day*, authors Anthony Summers and Robin Swan report that former CIA officer John Kiriakou, who was involved with the Zubaydeh case, told them that his colleagues in the CIA believed that what Zubaydeh said was true. "We had known for years," he told Summers and Swan, "that Saudi royals—I should say elements of the royal family—were funding al-Qaeda" (p. 419).



The Obama Administration, continuing the police-state practices of the Bush-Cheney regime, maintains the coverup of the Saudi role in 9/11. Were the evidence pursued, there would be no excuse for the indiscriminate surveillance of millions of Americans.

top lieutenant of bin Laden, "had access to Westernstyle accounts in major financial institutions in the Persian Gulf." This was the only case in which such evidence was found.

"But something very odd happened when the FBI and CIA team on the ground in Pakistan swept up Abu Zubaydeh's personal belongings and bundled them back to the United States for examination," Risen says. "There is little evidence that an aggressive investigation of the cards was ever conducted.... It is not clear whether an investigation of the cards simply fell through the cracks, or whether they were ignored because no one wanted to know the answers about connections between al-Qaeda and important figures in the Middle East—particularly in Saudi Arabia."

Risen points out that there is no evidence that Zubaydeh was ever questioned about the bank cards. One source told Risen that the cards "were never fully exploited," which the source attributed to "incompetence"—a strange assertion, given the massive resources which have been devoted to investigations of terrorist financing since 9/11.

Eventually, Risen says, American investigators in

the field recruited a Muslim financier with ties to the Taliban, al-Qaeda, and Saudi intelligence, to look into the case. He reported that his Saudi sources told him a "stunning" story: that around the time of Zubaydeh's capture, "Saudi intelligence officials had seized all of the records related to the card from the Saudi financial institution in question; the records then disappeared. There was no longer any way to trace the money that had gone into the acount."

Destroying the Evidence

According to many undisputed accounts, Zubaydeh was subsquently shipped off to Thailand or another CIA "black site," where he was the first U.S. prisoner to be subjected to the torture technique known as waterboarding, along with other techniques such as forced nudity, stress positions, physical assaults, prolonged confinement in small dark boxes, and deprivation of sleep and solid food. Some sources say that Zubayeh provided no information of value under waterboarding, whereas he had provided useful information under conventional interrogation methods. Iraq was one of areas Zubaydeh was later questioned about, but there is no evidence that he was further interrogated about the Saudi role.

Of course, the best evidence of what occurred during Zubaydeh's interrogation, were the CIA videotapes of the interrogation—which were destroyed in 2005. When the destruction of the tapes was disclosed in 2007, the assumption was that they were destroyed to conceal the interrogation methods used. But Posner called this a "coincidence of coincidence," that the tapes were destroyed that could have proved whether his account involving the Saudi royal family was correct or not. "How convenient," Posner commented.⁵

In 2010, when former CIA Director Porter Goss said that he had personally approved the decision to destroy the tapes, Posner commented on his personal blog: "Read Chapter 19 in my book *Why America Slept*, and you'll get an idea of why the tapes were destroyed."⁶

^{6.} Gerald Posner, "More on CIA coverup of Abu Zubaydah interrogations," April 18, 2010, on geraldposner.blogspot.com.



An LPAC-TV Feature Film

Eight months before the September 11, 2001 attacks, Lyndon LaRouche forecast that the United States was at high risk for a Reichstag Fire



event, an event that would allow those in power to manage, through dictatorial means, an economic and social crisis that they were otherwise incompetent to handle. We are presently living in the wake of that history.

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Except for occasional references, the story of Abu Zubaydeh's revelations about Saudi funding and support for 9/11 has disappeared from public view. It is not recounted in any of the official accounts of the 9/11 attacks. *Time* magazine raised the question in 2003, of whether this was part of the material in the suppressed 28 pages in the final report of the Joint Congressional Inquiry on the 9/11 attacks.

The later 9/11 Commission Report, which exonerates the Saudis, never mentions the portion of the Zubaydeh interrogations referring to the Saudi royal family, and Posner wrote in a later book, *Secrets of the Kingdom: The Inside Story of the Secret Saudi-U.S. Connection* (2005), that the materials were never provided to the Commission.

Confirmation of this later came from Philip Zelikow, the Commission's lead investigator, in a 2007 memorandum to the Commission's co-chairmen, in which he noted that the Commission had specifically asked the CIA for information concerning "press allegations that Abu Zubaydeh had referred to a Saudi prince in his interrogations," and that "We cannot find a record of the CIA's response."

Zubaydeh was reportedly transferred to the Guantanamo prison camp in September 2003, and held in a secret "prison within the prison." He was moved out of Guantanamo in 2004, for fear that a recent Supreme Court decision might require that he be given access to a lawyer. By 2006, he was back in Guantanamo, where he has been held ever since. He is one of those prisoners against whom no charges have ever been brought, and who is never expected to go to trial.

Zubaydeh is not in good shape. His lawyer, Joseph Margulies, was quoted in 2009 as saying that Zubaydeh's "mental grasp is slipping away," and that he suffers from "permanent brain damage" as a result of war injuries and his treatment by the CIA, including extended isolation.

But, it doesn't matter to some. The consensus of most today, is that Abu Zubaydeh was never very important: According to the Obama Administration, in a U.S. Justice Department memorandum in 2009, he was never a member of al-Qaeda, and he was at best "a personnel clerk" and a "travel agent" (!).⁷

Move along, folks. Nothing to see here.

^{5. &}quot;A Question About Those Destroyed CIA Tapes," David Frum's Diary, National Review Online, Dec. 7, 2007.

^{7.} See the "Abu Zubaydah" entry in Wikipedia, for a summary and documentation of the changing depictions of Zubaydeh.

EREconomics

Financial Turbulence Signals Global Meltdown in Process

by EIR Economics Staff

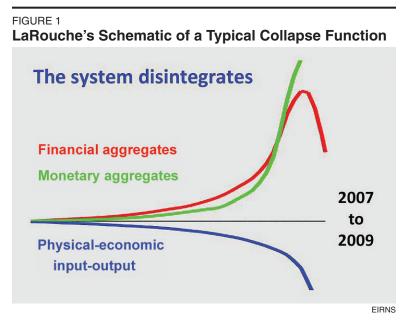
June 18—The world financial system has entered a twilight zone of uncontrolled hyperinflation, characterized by the fact that no amount of monetary expansion can any longer sustain the rate of growth of the British Empire's cancerous financial aggregates bubble. As a result, massive "unexpected" turbulence and capital flows are rapidly spinning out of control.

The nature of the problem can only be understood from the standpoint of Lyndon LaRouche's famous Typical Collapse Function graphic (**Figure 1**). We have

now entered the region of that collapse function, where the *rate of growth* of financial aggregates not only has dropped below the curve of the rate of growth of the monetary pumping, but has begun to plunge rapidly downwards. In this new geometry, massive monetary infusions such as quantitative easing (QE) both fail to bail out the financial aggregates, and actually accelerate their meltdown, all the while, driving the physical economy deeper into hell.

It's like a heroin addict who is so hooked on the "fix" of the increasing QE of the last few years, that it is no longer a matter of what happens when the QE stops. You can't *stop* the QE; you can't *talk* about stopping it; and you can't even *think* about the topic of eventually "tapering" it. In fact, global markets today are already undergoing fullfledged junkie withdrawal symptoms and wild contortions, even as the financial heroin continues to flow freely.

Indeed, the current system cannot be saved, nor does the ruling British-based financial oligarchy intend to do so. As Lyndon LaRouche commented on June 14, the British Empire has something different in mind, and is deliberately taking steps that will mean mass death in the U.S., and elsewhere, very quickly. What will happen when the food supplies are cut, when people can no



longer eat? That is the Queen's policy for reducing the population from 7 billion to 1 billion.

Symptoms Abound

The symptoms of the terminal illness of the system are myriad, from rising interest rates on long-term government bonds in Japan and the United States, to huge market volatility. The following reports are indicative:

• Global bond markets are collapsing, and this is "threatening to halt a global refinancing wave," the *Financial Times* warned June 14. They noted that "US sales of investment grade corporate debt ... have this week almost come to a complete halt." The recent weekly average of such sales had been about \$23.2 billion; this week it is only \$3.2 billion—an almost 90% drop. The same thing is happening in the junk bond market.

• Massive reverse carry-trade flows are underway out of the so-called emerging markets (EM), such as Brazil. The World Bank has issued a statement warning of the EM implosion, while the International Monetary Fund has demanded that the U.S. Fed not even think about exiting from QE. In reporting on the EM crisis, the *Daily Telegraph*'s Ambrose Evans-Pritchard noted June 14 that "the emerging market rout has become pervasive," with huge outflows occurring from Brazil, Indonesia, Philippines, Thailand, Turkey, Mexico, etc. Brazil alone has spent \$5.7 billion in reserves this month to try to stop the capital flight, and has also used derivatives contracts to do the same.

Evans-Pritchard quoted a Brazilian asset manager saying: "Brazil seems to be under speculative attack. We are losing reserves very fast. We should not forget that Russia lost \$210 billion in reserves in a few weeks during the Lehman crisis in 2008." Brazil has \$375 billion in reserves. In the last week they have dropped their 6% tax on foreign bond investors, and lifted their 1% tax on currency derivatives.

• *FT Alphaville* fretted June 14 that current levels of QE-smack are no longer producing the desired high: "The smoke and mirrors are fading. What is worrying, however, is that a move of this size has been prompted by simple talk of tapering [the QE purchases]. If that's what tapering does, what will the first hint of a proper QE exit inspire?"

• Bloomberg wire service demanded the same day that its dope distributor continue to deliver the stuff, big time: "Bernanke needs to emphasize on June 19 [after the next Federal Open Market Committee meeting] that 'policy will remain quite accommodative.'"

The Fed Prints—for Whom?

Bloomberg vastly understated the pressure on the FOMC, which opens its meeting today. In fact, recently released figures show that the Fed is currently playing the role of Atlas, holding up the entire financial system by issuing liquidity—including to the failing European banks.

According to the reliable website ZeroHedge.com, the Fed's flow-of-funds reports from the fourth quarter of 2012 and first quarter of 2013 show that the majority of the Federal Reserve's money-printing continues to go to support the liquidity and cover the losses of European banks—and not to lending.

The site demonstrates that *more than all* net bank lending in the United States in the first quarter was done by a single bank—the Federal Reserve! Its \$303 billion increase in assets dwarfed the \$158 billion increase in assets of the whole banking system; in other words, all the other banks had a net *decline* in lending by \$145 billion. And again in the first quarter, more than half of all of this "reserve creation" by the Fed went to the U.S.-based branches of British and Eurozone banks.

On the U.S. side, the Federal Reserve now holds 15% of all U.S. Treasury debt, as well as a huge portfolio of mortgage-backed securities—pure bailouts for the Wall Street banks. And when interest rates suddenly began to rise in May—without any sign of a Fed "exit"—the central bank lost \$155 billion in one month, according to estimates by *Forbes*. This is three times its total equity capital.

Since Jan. 1, 2011, the fiction has been created that the Fed never need recognize such losses, but can simply book them as offsets to the interest payments which the Treasury will make to it on those securities. For one thing, this means Fed payments of its profits *to* the Treasury will stop, creating more U.S. government debt.

More importantly, the process will lead to a hyperinflationary meltdown, further stripping the real economy, which is already bereft of productive credit. La-Rouche's Typical Collapse Function shows the process, which his Three-Step Economic program—Glass-Steagall, a Hamiltonian credit system, and NAWAPA—can uniquely stop.

BIS Prepares Bail-In, As in the 1930s

by Jacques Cheminade

Former French Presidential candidate Cheminade released this editorial under the headline "Blind Men."

June 12—Our country's political leaders remind me of the blind men in rags painted by Peter Bruegel the Elder to illustrate Christ's comment to the Pharisees, that "If the blind lead the blind, both shall fall

into a pit" (Matthew 14:15).

President François Hollande already stumbled when he assured us from Japan that, "It must be clear that the crisis in the Eurozone is over."

In reality, the pit is right before us: The world's 28 megabanks, including the four major French ones, have taken control of a system which is technically bankrupt. Their liabilities in derivatives (bets on future prices) amount to 428 times their "tier 1" equity. In other words, they have next to nothing to mobilize to cope with a major problem. Our four major French banks alone have \$118 trillion of gross liabili-

ties, or 45 times our annual GDP. Given such a catastrophic situation, a *de facto* liquidation mechanism for bank-ruptcy has been prepared, which is called "resolution."

The G20 Heads of State and Government created a Financial Stability Board (FSB), hosted and mainly financed by the Basel-based Bank for International Settlements (BIS). This Board, a corporate entity under Swiss law, has organized the implementation of a "bail-out" and a "bail-in" in the event of a default. What was done to the Cyprus banks can thus be considered a "warm-up exercise," and the same goes for the looting of those who hold "preferential" stock in Spain's Bankia.

In the European Union, Hollande and German Chancellor Angela Merkel agreed to create a Bank Resolution Authority, under the orders of the European Commission. This will *de facto* be the enforcement arm of the BIS/FSB. In France, we have a Guarantee Fund with EU2 billion to cover deposits up to EU100,000 in the event of a default. Deposits above that level will not be covered and will thus be part of the bail-in. For the deposits in amounts below that level, the EU2 billion will obviously be insufficient, especially since the [French Finance Minister Pierre] Moscovici reform plans to link the Resolution Authority to the Guarantee Fund, which will be the first to take over the latter's meager resources.

That is what is behind the satisfaction shown by Hollande: a trustee in bankruptcy of the oligarchy, similar to the one set up in the 1930s under the auspices of the BIS. At that time, Hjalmar Schacht, Hitler's financier, played a fundamental role in it, together with his associates in the City of London and Wall Street banks. Today, history is repeating itself.

Here in France, the pit is being opened with the antisocial measures the government is about to take, and which



"The Blind Leading the Blind," by Peter Bruegel the Elder, 1568.

so delight columnist Françoise Fressoz and her friends in *Le Monde*. The editorials in *Le Figaro* are openly aimed at sinking what the Socialists have not abandoned of the "French exception."¹ On top of that, political science expert Patrick Buisson has announced the comeback of Nicolas Sarkozy, riding on the emergence of a "Christian populism" reminiscent of a revamped Maurras.²

We need to define positive perspectives for all, and fight our real enemies, instead of making the blind even more blind, by attempting to save a bankrupt financial system on the backs of the citizens.

 [&]quot;French exception" refers to a policy of defending France's national identity against the onslaught of globalization and free trade. That includes strong state support on the social, economic, and cultural levels.
 Charles Maurras was a leader of the extreme right-wing Action Française, a monarchist, nominally Catholic and anti-Semitic organization, which later supported the Vichy regime of Marshall Pétain. The motto of the Vichy regime was *travail, famille, patrie* (work, family, fatherland), to replace the republican motto "liberty, equality, fraternity").

Economics in Brief

United Nations

Former UN Official Endorses Glass-Steagall

Antonio Maria Costa, the former head of the UN Office on Drugs and Crime, in reaction to the news that Sen. Tom Harkin (D-Iowa) had introduced S. 985 to reinstate the Glass-Steagall Act, responded on June 12, "Yes, I'm willing to be on record with a statement in favor of Glass-Steagall."

In an April 2012 interview with *EIR*, Costa stated, "There is no problem making money through purely financial activities, but if they become destabilizing to the system at large, then I believe that this is a perverse type of development. As a consequence, and to conclude on this, not only a Glass-Steagall sort of separation between commerical and financial activities, but I strongly support also cooling the financial transactions in order to render them part of the stability of the system and not a destabilizing force."

Costa pointed out in early 2009 that huge amounts of criminal- and narcocash was were solicited by the top international banks s the interbank markets froze up in 2008.

Detroit

Ex-Industrial Hub Defaults on Its Debt

The City of Detroit, once the heartland of America's industrial and machine-tool might, on June 14 defaulted on a \$34 million payment to creditors, while its Emergency Manager, Kevyn Orr, announced a moratorium on principal and interest payments on the city's unsecured debt. Orr also presented a detailed proposal regarding Detroit's nearly \$17 billion in debt, whereby holders of unsecured debt would be paid less than 10 cents on the dollar, according to Reuters.

Among the unsecured debt holders that will take the hit are bondholders and pension funds.

Lyndon LaRouche commented that now the retired auto workers and others who thought they had bought into retirement, when their industries were shut down, are going to find out that they are the ones being shut down. Pensions are simply going to vanish. The only answer to this and similar destruction, LaRouche stated, is to ensure that Obama's political lifespan is very quickly reduced. The only way that the U.S. can survive is to throw him out of office, and to punish Wall Street brutally. Because now the only options are either that the U.S. disappears, or that we get rid of Wall Street and all the related parasites, with Glass-Steagall.

The same day that Orr was announcing Detroit's demise, the Detroit School Board voted up a resolution memorializing the U.S. Congress to restore the Glass-Steagall law.

Central America

Green Energy Policies Produce Hunger, Death

The British Empire's depopulation policy is well underway in Central America, where severe drought and food shortages are producing starvation and death.

Her Majesty's biofuels genocide is literally taking food out of people's mouths, as in the case of Guatemala, which has put increasing quantities of its farm land in the past 20 years to producing corn, sugar cane, and African Palm *to produce ethanol for export*, starving its own population.

Guatemala has the highest rate of child malnutrition in the Western Hemisphere, higher even than Haiti, with 50% of children under the age of five malnourished, rising to 80% among indigenous populations.

The fierce pressure to use corn for biofuels has driven prices up so far that tortilla prices have doubled.

In Nicaragua and El Salvador, sugar cane production for biofuels has increased enormously, but takes place under such brutal conditions, that a large number of workers on both nations' Pacific Coast have become terminally ill with chronic kidney disease, attributed to the horrific working conditions.

Drought has ravaged Panama this Spring, which has led to electricity rationing, and closure of businesses, public schools, and universities, and even jeopardized the functioning of the Panama Canal. Crops and cattle have been lost, requiring emergency food distribution to the affected populations.

Now, President Ricardo Martinelli has announced a huge solar energy scheme, as the "green" solution to the energy crisis.

Nuclear Power

Generation Declines For Second Year in Row

The world's generation of nuclear power declined by 6.9%, the largest decline on record for a second consecutive year, according to BP's "Statistical Review of World Energy, June 2013."

In Japan, where nuclear power plants still have not fully been brought back on line following the 2011 earthquake and tsunami, nuclear output fell by 89%, accounting for 82% of the global decline.

Nuclear's share of global primary energy was the lowest since 1984.

Southern California Edison announced June 7 that it will be "permanently retiring" the two-unit San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station in California, because it has no assurance that even if mandated safety improvements are made, it would ever get permission from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to restart the shuttered plants. A fault in one of two new steam generators installed on Unit 3 shut down that reactor in January 2012, and Unit 2 was shut as a precaution, although no problem was detected. This leaves the state with one remaining nuclear plant, Diablo Canyon. San Onofre provided electricity for 1.4 million homes in the San Clemente region for 40 years. It is the fourth nuclear power plant to be permanently closed in the U.S. this year alone. The Greenies are ecstatic.

BIRStrategy

The Time Is Ripe for Impeachment of Obama

by Jeffrey Steinberg

This is an emergency telephone conference call to LaRouchePAC organizers and supporters on June 10, 2013.

I want to start out by telling people something that I think, up until now, maybe only three or four people in the world have known about. Mr. LaRouche knew, because I briefed him at the time; and the government official who told me this account, knew it; I knew it, and maybe one or two other people along the way needed to be briefed on it.

It goes back to April 11, 2009, when Mr. LaRouche did an international webcast in which he took off the gloves against President Obama. It was just a couple of months into the President's first term in office, and he had just returned from a visit, with Michelle Obama, to England, where he had been the guest of honor at Buckingham Palace, with Queen Elizabeth II, Prince Philip, and the whole royal coterie. And President Obama had really grovelled at the opportunity to be in the presence of the British royalty. And Mr. LaRouche, in his April 11, 2009 webcast—you can find the video on the larouchepac.com website-went after the President, and said, you're dealing with somebody who's not only slavishly loyal to the British, largely via his Wall Street sponsors, but he suffers from severe narcissistic disorder. And one could look back at the history of Emperor Nero, to understand the problems that you confront, the

danger of tyranny, when someone with this kind of narcissistic personality, who is slavishly loyal to a foreign power with vast financial interests in controlling the United States, winds up in the position of the head of state.

At that time, many of you may know that Mr. La-Rouche was harshly, harshly criticized, particularly by Democrats who were euphoric over the Obama victory. And several weeks later, when we put Obama's picture on a poster with a Hitler mustache, because of the implications of his campaign for Obamacare, this freaked out people even more.

We were told, however—and this is the part that I'm now sharing for the first time—that somewhere inside the U.S. government, within the intelligence community, unbeknownst to us at the time, a parallel psychological profile had been developed on President Obama, which came to the identical conclusion: that he suffered from a severe narcissistic problem, and that this could pose a danger to the survival of our republic as it's been historically known.

Now, four and a half years later, flash forward. We've seen that process play out. We've seen the two principal achievements of the Obama Presidency, and both contribute mightily to the destruction of the United Stated—one being Obamacare, the other being the Administration's heavy-handed push to pass the Dodd-Frank bill in 2010, and, along the way, to sabotage the



The Obamas visit Buckingham Palace on April 1, 2009 to get their marching orders from Her Majesty.

efforts to add an amendment to Dodd-Frank that would have reinstated Glass-Steagall, the full separation of commercial banks from all the investment banks' gambling activity, and would have neutralized and negated everything else that was being thrown into Dodd-Frank by Wall Street.

The White House prevailed on Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, and that effort to reinstate Glass-Steagall back in 2010 in the Senate, was killed off in the most brutal fashion. The message that was clearly delivered from that point on, was that the White House, on behalf of Wall Street and the City of London, would never, ever allow Glass-Steagall to even be so much as introduced into the Congress in a serious fashion.

Now, Congress, by and large, has been out to lunch. We've had Obamacare, we've had Dodd-Frank—and we know that there's scarcely a member of Congress who even is aware of the fact that Dodd-Frank meant the Cyprus option, the "bail-in" option, meaning that the next time one of the seven or eight too-big-to-fail U.S. banks gets in trouble, the derivatives and other gambling debts will be prioritized for bailout, and much of the money will come from literally the theft of depositors' funds in those banks.

This is what was done in Cyprus. Depositors' funds were wiped out to protect the so-called systemically important financial institutions, and you had the biggest case of grand larceny in modern history.

Impeachable Crimes

That is embedded in Title II of the Dodd-Frank law. It is unconstitutional; it's an impeachable crime, to the extent that the President helped to push this through.

We had the Libya War, which was a completely illegal war, in which the United States engaged in overt, hard military operations, up to and including the execution of a head of state. Whether you liked Qaddafi or hated him, he was not given any kind of a judicial process.

He was summarily executed, by agreement the night before, among the White House, the French Elysée Palace, and 10 Downing Street.

You've got a pile-up of impeachable crimes with grave consequences for the United States. Ambassador Chris Stevens and three other American diplomats were killed as a consequence of the illegal war in Libya. And yet, as all of these crimes have piled up—Fast and Furious, where the Justice Department was covertly arming Mexican drug cartels; the other scandals that have now come out; the lying about what happened in Benghazi; the spying on American citizens; all of these things— Congress has systematically failed to meet its responsibility under the Constitution, as a check and balance against excessive Executive power.

Confronted with that situation, we have never dropped the ball, we have never given up on the fact that Obama has committed impeachable crimes, and should be duly removed from office. But because Congress failed to impeach Bush and Cheney a number of years ago, for clear crimes against the Constitution, high crimes and misdemeanors, the current Congress has given President Obama a similar free ride.

Now, that poses a very serious problem for this country, and for the world as a whole. We are very much moving in the direction of a replay of the Libya fiasco inside Syria, but we're not dealing with a second-rate situation. We're dealing with a country right on the eastern Mediterranean, with significant neighborswith Turkey, Lebanon, Iraq, Jordan, Israel-and the President is moving, particularly since the announcement that Susan Rice is replacing Tom Donilon as National Security Advisor, and Samantha Power, a George Soros agent, is being moved in as the ambassador to the United Nations, we're headed in the direction of a replay of Libya in a much more volatile neighborhood, at a point that Russia and China have not acquiesced to a no-fly zone and a "humanitarian" military intervention.

This situation could bring us into a global war. And that is not just our evaluation. That's the evaluation of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff; it's the evaluation of the new military commander of NATO, who's a U.S. Air Force general, and many, many others.





Sam Vaknin, author of *Malignant Self-Love*, is interviewed in a 46-minute LPAC-TV video, on President Obama's narcissistic personality disorder, a condition which Vaknin says is increasingly controlling the President's mental outlook. Agreeing with Lyndon

LaRouche, Vaknin believes that Obama poses a grave danger to the United States and the world, unless he is immediately removed from office.

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The Truth Comes Out

But since Congress has failed to take up its responsibility as a check and a balance on Obama's grabbing of near-dictatorial powers, the story is beginning to come out by other means, in a very serious way.

But I just want to emphasize to you, that if Mr. La-Rouche had not gone on an international webcast in April of 2009, to throw down the gauntlet and warn the American people, and warn governments and citizens around the world, of the danger represented by this Administration, by this President, none of the things that are now ongoing, would have happened. I can assure you that that is the case.

So, what has occurred in the recent period?

• Beginning about three weeks ago, when Rep. Darrell Issa held a hearing of the House Government Reform Committee on the **Benghazi** tragedy, he brought forward as witnesses several State Department whistleblowers, people who were on the scene or nearby, as the events were unfolding. And they made it very clear, in public testimony, that everything that President Obama and Susan Rice had said about what occurred in Benghazi on the 11th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks, was absolutely a premeditated fabricated lie—a cover story.

Now, yesterday on national television, interestingly, Sen. Rand Paul said, look, I've talked to a lot of people. I've talked to a lot of the witnesses who were in Washington, or in Tripoli, or in Benghazi, as the Sept. 11, 2012 attack was happening. And they all made very clear that they knew instantaneously that it was a wellplanned, and well-armed, terrorist attack. The idea that there was a mass protest over a video slandering the Prophet Mohammed was a complete fabrication, after the fact. Nobody on the ground said anything about a demonstration. The cables among the mission in Benghazi, the embassy in Tripoli, and various government offices in Washington, D.C., have been out in public since last year. There was not a word about a demonstration.

And Senator Paul said, look, everybody knew that this cover story about a spontaneous protest demonstration would not hold, so what's the real story? He said, in his view, and he hopes Congress will probe this, the real story is that they did not want the subject of what was going on in Benghazi to come out in public hearings. And he said, my understanding is that the U.S. Administration was running weapons covertly to the Syrian rebels, via Turkey, from Benghazi, and that this was an illegal operation.

If any of you remember the Iran-Contra scandal of the 1980s, when the White House was running a covert arms program in Nicaragua, this is a parallel to that, except in Nicaragua, we were not arming al-Qaeda. We weren't arming known and defined enemies of the United States, the people who want to kill Americans and were behind the 9/11 attacks. So this is an enormous scandal that has been covered up.

The hearings on Benghazi were followed two days later by the leaking of a whole series of e-mails from various American government officials, showing exactly how the cover story on Benghazi was formulated, showing the involvement of various officials from the White House, from the State Department, and from the CIA, in this effort to lie to the American people. That story broke.

• Two days later, a news story broke revealing that the **Internal Revenue Service** was carrying out political "enemies list" operations, targetting opponents, particularly Tea Party opponents, of President Obama. No President since Richard Nixon has used the IRS to target an enemies' list of Presidential adversaries in the context of an election year. That story came out just weeks after the vast majority of Americans had paid their taxes. So, hatred of the IRS at that moment was at an annual peak.

• Several days later, the story broke that Associated Press's Washington, D.C., offices had been tapped by the **Department of Justice**, along with the home phones, cellphones, and e-mail accounts of everybody working in their Washington office, ostensibly as part of an investigation into who were the leakers of national security issues. A week later it turned out that the same thing had been done by the Obama Administration to the leading Washington, D.C., bureau official of Fox News.

All of these things came out in a span of about 10 days, one after the other, after the other. It was like machine-gun fire.

• And then, just in the past several days, we've had the revelations about the various **National Security Agency** programs under which every single American's telephone calls, e-mail accounts, computer records, Twitter accounts, text messages, have been amassed together in a massive database that is being constantly trolled by officials at the NSA, supposedly in order to hunt down threats of terrorism. Yet, of course, President Obama gave a speech in the last two weeks saying that he's done such a good job in the war on terrorism, that the United States is safer than it has been at any point since the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks. So, he wants to have it both ways.

But the situation that we've now reached, with this barrage of scandals coming up against the President, has shaken this administration to its very foundations. Will this lead to the President's impeachment? Or his resignation, or something along those lines? We have no idea.

Back in 1972-73, the opposition party was in the majority in the House of Representatives at that time. It was the Democratic Party in the House, with a Republican President, and there were impeachment proceedings threatened against Richard Nixon. And I might say that they were for crimes that are far less serious violations of the Constitution, than many things that have been carried out by President Obama, and, in fairness, by President Bush and Vice President Cheney—the administration before Obama.

Congress's Constitutional Responsibility

We don't know whether Congress is going to fully uphold its Constitutional responsibilities, and go after these crimes. The Founding Fathers, in their wisdom, laid out very precisely, the procedures for impeachment, because they saw it as the preferred alternative to execution, to coup d'état, and things like that. They were very conscious that they were giving the President certain powers that could be a temptation for tyranny. In fact, the Founders expected that there would Presidential impeachments at least once every generation. This is why they created very strong oversight responsibilities for Congress. This is why the Founders said that only the House of Representatives, only the Congress, has the authority to declare war-not the President! They wanted to make it as difficult as possible to go to war, or to be dragged into imperial adventures.

The responsibility of Congress to take this authority of impeachment seriously, as one of the highest responsibilities of elective office, perhaps second only to the decision to bring the nation to war—these responsibilities have been shirked and reneged on, to a very great extent. So for that reason, we don't know whether this President is going to be truly brought to justice for the crimes already committed.

What we do know, is that the well-timed revelations

coming out on one thing after another, over a period of time, are the clearest indication that there are significant people within the institutions of government who have come to the conclusion that these crimes cannot be ignored any longer. And so, you've got a pattern of things that, under no circumstances, could be legitimately considered to be just simply coincidence, or good luck, or a happy sequence of occurrences. There are certain forces who have decided that we've reached a crisis, an existential crisis, the kind of crisis that Benjamin Franklin envisioned when he told a woman on the streets of Philadelphia, at the conclusion of the Constitutional Convention, that we have been given a republic—if we can keep it.

Franklin's idea, and the idea of the Founders, was that we were facing a powerful enemy in the form of the British Empire. London was not going to accept the American Revolution as a done-deal, and they were going to continuously come back, again and again and again, and that therefore, virtually every generation in this country was going to have to *fight* to uphold the Constitutional principle on which the nation was founded.

So, here we are, at a critical moment in history. I can't tell you what the outcome of these coming days and weeks is going to be. What I can tell you is that there is a clear path for living up to the demands of Benjamin Franklin, and restoring our sovereign republic, which has already been lost. It's already finished. We no longer have financial and economic sovereignty. The Founding Fathers created a system of national credit, not a system of slave-control by foreign financial interests, which is the situation that we have right now under this monetarist system.

An Imperative: Glass-Steagall

There is a solution that begins the process of restoring our revolutionary tradition, and that begins with Glass-Steagall.

A few weeks ago, I was on one of the Thursday night calls here. It was right after Sen. Tom Harkin had introduced the Glass-Steagall bill in the U.S. Senate, paralleling the bill that was introduced into the House of Representatives in January by Marcy Kaptur and Walter Jones. And I said at the time that this was a major victory over the British Empire, because the British, back in 2010, during the Dodd-Frank fight, had simply delivered a message to President Obama, and to others, that the reinstatement of Glass-Steagall would be considered a *casus belli* by the British, a hostile action by the United States, if bank separation were to be reintroduced.

We're in a situation right now where we have clean Glass-Steagall bills introduced into, first, the House, and now, the Senate. We have a banking crisis in Europe and here in the United States, which are completely intertwined, and cannot be solved within the framework of the current system. This week the Federal Reserve put out data from the first quarter of 2013, and the Fed has been purchasing \$85 billion a month in Treasuries and various kinds of asset-backed securities, off of the books of the big U.S. commercial banks. And now we find out that over *half* of that money is actually going toward buying up assets off the books of big European banks.

So, over half of the money that's been expended this year has gone to continuing the process of bailing out hopelessly bankrupt European banks, and ultimately, that comes back to U.S. taxpayers' money. The Federal Reserve is printing \$85 billion a month in new money, with no economic resources to back it up. They're bailing out the big banks. The Fed has gone, since Obama took office, from an asset portfolio of under a trillion dollars, to one that is now upwards of \$4 trillion, and will be much higher before Obama leaves office—if he stays in much longer.

Most of these assets are being bought off of the books of the banks, at vastly inflated prices. If these assets were to be sold on the commercial market mortgage-backed securities, other instruments like that—they'd be lucky if they got 30 cents on the dollar; but the Fed is paying dollar for dollar, to bail out the banks at a point that the banks are so bankrupt, the black hole runs so deep, that no money from the banking system is going into the real economy.

The only way to deal with this crisis is to face the magnitude of the bankruptcy that we are already involved in, and to go back to a full banking separation, exactly as per the original Glass-Steagall Act, which is coming up on its 80th anniversary on June 16. We will be commemorating the 80th anniversary of the day that Franklin Roosevelt signed the Glass-Steagall Act into law. And so it's fitting and appropriate, that we are mobilizing like hell to reinstate that Glass-Steagall law now.

Because of the changes in the global financial system, Glass-Steagall today is far more significant than it even was back in June 1933, when Roosevelt signed it into law. You have one globalized monetarist system, centered in the trans-Atlantic region. You have \$1.4 quadrillion in current outstanding derivative contracts alone, gambling debts, with nothing underlying them, which are on the books of the several dozen or so international, too-big-to-fail banks. By reinstituting Glass-Steagall, we immediately create a full and permanent separation between legitimate commercial banking activity—where people deposit their money into savings and checking accounts, or CD accounts, or IRA accounts, and the bank proceeds to lend that money out in a responsible fashion, for business loans, for home mortgages, for college loans, for the kinds of things that are relevant to the real economy in which people live.

All of the gambling debts accumulated will no longer be insured by taxpayers' money, or by depositors' money, as in the case of the bail-in. Those brokerage houses that will be split out of these mega-bank holding companies will be bankrupt. The simple reality is that they *are* bankrupt.

So, we're going to be faced with a situation where, number one, the power of this financial oligarchy, the blackmail leverage that they exert over all of our lives, will be ended, and they will be bankrupt, and they'll have to figure out the consequences of their bankruptcy. We're going to have a functioning and viable commercial banking system once again, but it's going to be vastly undercapitalized. And so, at that point, we're going to revert to what the Founders clearly understood, which was that the government has the power to issue credit.

Credit for NAWAPA

The Federal government has the power to issue credit, to invest wisely in projects that will boost the productivity of the economy, create, in this case, tens of millions of new jobs.

Among the first projects that we will launch is NAWAPA, the North American Water and Power Alliance, which is the project that was originally designed during the Kennedy Presidency, and which has been revived by the LaRouche Political Action Committee over the last several years. Basically, overhaul the entire water management system of the western third of North America, from Alaska and Canada, down through the United States into northern Mexico. Deal with the problems of drought, of flooding, through effective modern



water management, powered by nuclear energy. Create tens of millions of permanent, productive new jobs in the economy.

Do it through Congressional authorization of capital spending, with the understanding that long-term, lowinterest loans will be issued, and over the life of the loans, the real economy will go through such a surge in productivity, that paying back those loans will be easy, and there will be a significant net profit in the economy as a whole, by especially using the principle of greater and greater energy-flux density for energy development. From nuclear fission to fusion, and then on from there.

We could be on the cusp of the greatest economic recovery in modern history, but the City of London, the British monarchy, Wall Street, and their tool in the White House, don't want that to happen, and they will do everything they can to sabotage it.

A Potential Turning Point

But where we stand right now, is that President Obama doesn't have time to think about stopping Glass-Steagall. He's got himself completely wrapped up in trying to fend off a series of scandals, any one of which could bring this President down through legitimate impeachment proceedings.

So, we're at a moment right now, when the impact of our own activity is greater than ever. We now, as of today, have 22 state legislatures, almost half of the states of the Union, where resolutions have been introduced supporting the reinstatement of Glass-Steagall, and demanding that their Congressional delegations, both House and Senate members, support the reinstatement of Glass-Steagall. We can win this fight. We can win this fight in the month of June, over the Summer, and with President Obama facing one scandal after another, and with the Democratic Party playing a leading role in promoting the passage, the reinstatement, of Glass-Steagall, what's he going to do if a Glass-Steagall bill is placed on his desk? We don't know the answer to that.

We don't even know, frankly, whether he's going to still be President. This is something that can change in a matter of hours or days. We don't know yet what kinds of hearings are going to be convened on an emergency basis over the next several days. The Senate just arrived back into town tonight, the House arrives tomorrow night. The month of June is crucial, because there are no holidays—there's no recess between now and the Fourth of July. We've got the remainder of the month of June, as a critical time frame.

The President is under the gun, potentially facing impeachment. The Attorney General, by all rights, should have been forced to resign already. Eric Holder is the only Attorney General in history to have been held in contempt of Congress: He lied to Congress about the government's program of smuggling arms to Mexican drug cartels.

So this is a situation that has changed dramatically, just in the past days. It was, in fact, last Friday that the profile of the mass spying on all American citizens, by agencies of our own government, came to the fore, and it was in that context, on Friday night, during his regular 8:00 p.m. webcast, that Mr. LaRouche said, this President may very well be going down in the immediate days ahead. It's a drastic change in the strategic situation. We've got to move on an accelerated basis. We need Glass-Steagall. We need a credit system. We need NAWAPA. And by winning the Glass-Steagall fight, at a point that the President is badly weakened, and may be unable to act to stop it, we are in a position to effect the greatest defeat to the British Empire, to the system of monetarist dictatorship, that has ever been delivered.

The flip side of it is, that if we don't act, and we fail to seize the opportunities of this moment, then there is a very real danger that this dictatorship that's been being put in place, peg by peg, since Bush-Cheney inaugurated the drive for the Unitary Executive—and under President Obama, every element of that process has been accelerated forward—under these circumstances, we could see the consolidation of this dictatorship.

In November 1932, the Nazi Party suffered a humiliating defeat in the German elections. But in March 1933, with massive amounts of outside finance—from Averell Harriman and Prescott Bush's Union Bank, from Montagu Norman, the head of the Bank of England—the Nazis managed to eke out a bare victory. Hitler was still widely considered to be a clown and a buffoon. Yet, a month and a half, after those elections in 1933, we had the Reichstag Fire, and then we faced a generation of dictatorship and war.

The situation today is deadly serious. It's a situation that we can win, but there are no guarantees. We've got to turn this country upside down. We've got to drive forward for Glass-Steagall, because this is the killer blow, not just to Obama, who is a tool of higher powers.



Organizing in Ventura, Calif., June 8, 2013. The "Hitler mustache" on Obama drives some Democrats crazy, but the President's drive for war and dictatorship makes the comparison hard to avoid.

This is a deadly blow to those powers, to the powers of the Empire, the financial system, the oligarchy that rides over that system, that is controlling every aspect of life on this planet today.

That's the message. We're in a unique moment. We *created* this situation. Without that April 11, 2009 webcast identifying the clinical profile of this President, without the mobilization that's followed from that point forward, without the interventions in the state legislatures to generate support for Glass-Steagall, without the work on Capitol Hill to put enormous pressure and educational work into the members of Congress, to find those outstanding individuals who would have the courage to break from the standing policy of "go along to get along," and introduce bills that are vital to the survival of the United States, and to the restoration of our republic—

And going back to one of the questions that came up a few minutes ago, we may very well find ourselves, a few days from now, in a situation where the very people who put Obama into power are saying, this guy is a dead-end loser, and we'd better dump him before he's dumped by people who will revive the American republic.

So, it's a very fragile, very uncertain situation, which is exactly why we called this emergency conference call briefing. We want people to know that we're on the edge, we're on the edge of Obama's removal from office. We're on the edge of potential general war. We're on the edge of a potential breakthrough to win the fight for Glass-Steagall. We're also on the edge of the potential consolidation of a dictatorship that would be the death blow to the U.S. Constitution. We don't know which way this is going to go, but what we do know is that there is a clear policy solution. It's been laid out by Mr. LaRouche for years. Glass-Steagall is the key battlefront right now, and if we win that fight, then the danger of dictatorship, the danger of general war, is vastly reduced.

Because if we win the Glass-Steagall fight in the United States, we will get support from Europe—which is begging, in

desperation, for some kind of help. You'll get a shift in policy in Russia. You'll get a shift in policy in China, because an economic recovery in the United States and in Europe is the *only* possible way that the Chinese economy can survive. It may look a hell of a lot better than the United States or Western Europe on the surface, but China is facing an existential crisis, not tied to their internal situation so much as their dependency on a global economy, a trans-Atlantic economy, that's on the way down, down.

So, this thing can go in any one of a number of different ways, and what we do, hour by hour, day by day, even though we are a small force with limited resources, we are the exemplification of how the power of ideas, at a moment of crisis, can decide everything.

Editorial

A New Renaissance

We properly date the radical transformation of man's relationship to nature, toward that of cocreator in the image of God, to the Italy's Golden Renaissance, and its revolutionary forebear, Cardinal Nicholas of Cusa, for it is then that the ideas which permitted that fundamental change to occur, were generated. The breakthroughs at that time, in science, Classical artistic composition, engineering, language, and many other fields provided the cultural, or intellectual, capital upon which mankind has progressed, and even survived to the present day.

Today, as Lyndon LaRouche insists in his paper in this issue, we desperately need a new such Renaissance, building on the principles of the geniuses of yore, but breaking new ground for mankind as a creature of the Solar System, the Galaxy, and perhaps even beyond. Nothing less will do.

A Renaissance today, as in 14th- and 15th-Century Italy, begins with the total rejection of the current culture, which has led to the economic, political, and cultural degeneracy that pervades the planet. In the period leading into the Italian Renaissance, this oligarchical degeneracy had led, among other things, to the sweeping depopulation of Europe through the Black Death. There were many who, in the face of such horror, simply decided that they should enjoy life for as long as they could, or that the world was controlled by an unchangeable fate, or other expressions of resignation and despair.

But a few, epitomized by Nicholas of Cusa, took a very different view. Confident in their belief that mankind was a higher species than the animal, and that the universe was created by a Mind which had also given man creative reason, these individuals determined that they would take responsibility for the fate of the human species as a whole. Rejecting the apparently implacable sense-certainty of the degradation of the human society around them, they pushed ahead to develop the ideas which would allow man to conquer his fate, and to discover the laws of the universe on which scientific, technological, and moral progress had to be based. They succeeded.

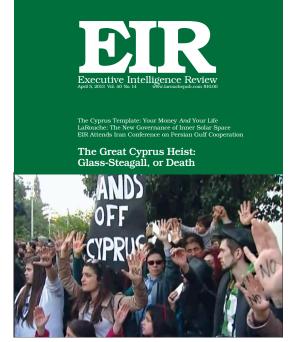
True, they did not overthrow the oligarchical system as the dominant method of social control. Rather, that achievement was left to those heroic souls who led the colonization of the Americas, and created the first true republic the world has ever seen, first in the Massachusetts Bay Colony, and later, in the founding of the United States of America.

There is no question but that the people and the leaders of these United States have now largely succumbed to the same oligarchical principles we once fought to defeat. Classical artistic principles, the belief in scientific progress, even the basic premise of the dignity of the human individual as a sacred thinking being within a cooperative society, have all been effectively thrown in the trash bin. Whole generations have been brought up in a popular culture of degeneracy.

Should this continue unchallenged, the result will be far more destructive than the Black Death of the 14th Century—which killed between 1/3 to 1/2 of the population of Europe—perhaps even to human extinction.

The necessary change, as LaRouche's paper emphasizes, begins in the individual's self-conception, in his or her mind and soul. The LaRouche movement is committed to creating it, even at this late hour. Take the time to think, and join us.

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