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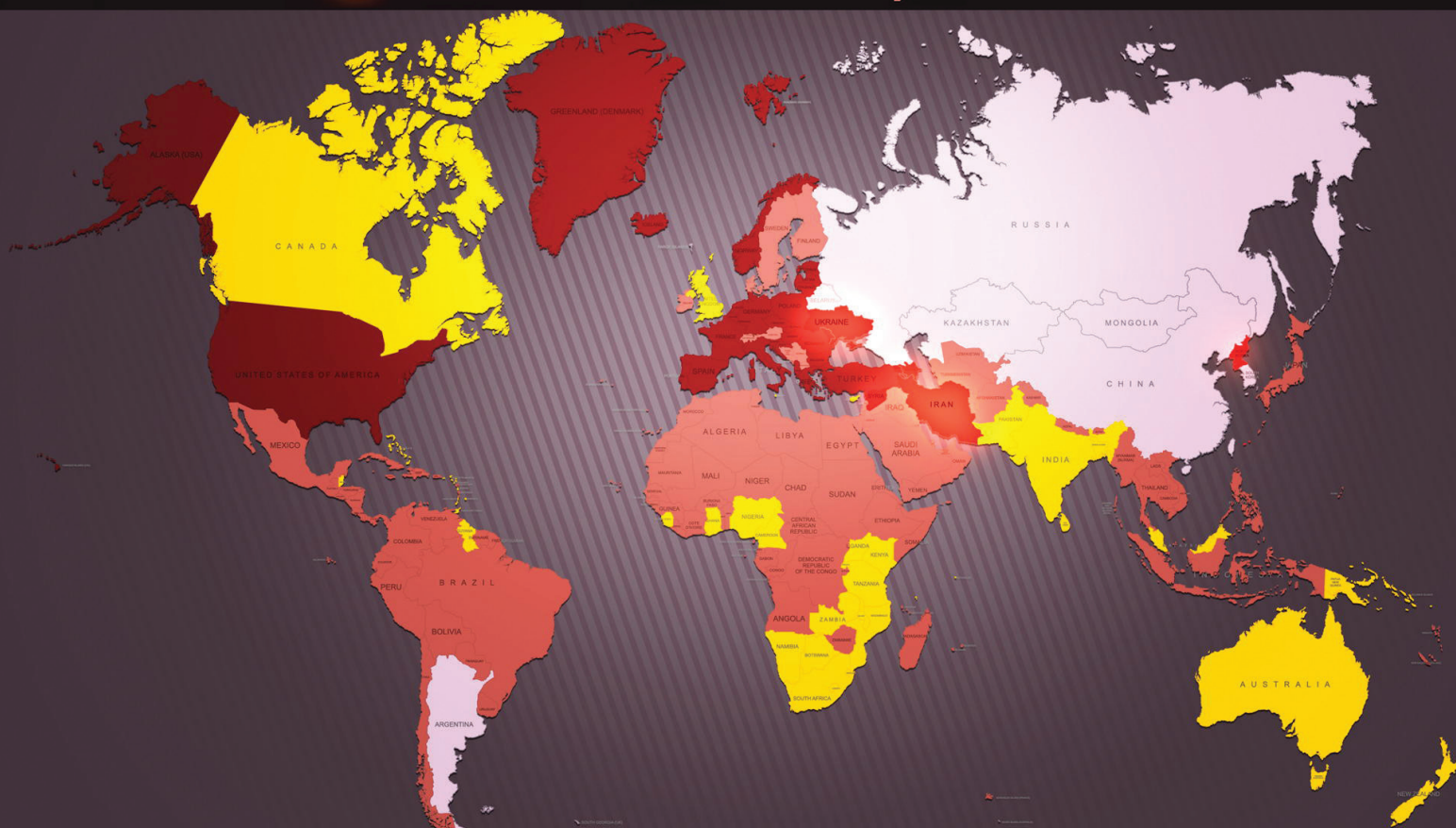
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From the Editors

“It’s the British Empire, Stupid!” has been the caption used by LaRouche organizers sporting a banner with the map we feature on our cover. That map was conceived to give you a mental image of the control being exercised by the global British Empire in multifarious ways—and to underscore the fact that to rid the world of the scourges of war, famine, drugs, deindustrialization, and dictatorship, mankind has to take on the real center of that control, not side issues, or mere patsies.

The Queen is not amused by the LaRouche movement’s determination to expose and bankrupt her empire, nor Eurasian moves to drive ahead for true scientific progress, as our lead story points out (*Feature*). We back it up with relevant documentation on exactly what the Royals have been up to recently, and a profile of the Satanic empire’s operations as a whole.

Our news sections will give you a good idea of exactly why the Royals are upset. The recent China-Russia agreements (*International*) represent a sharp blow to the Empire, as do challenges to the European Union, for example, in Italy.

In the U.S., the British Empire’s policies, and its puppet Obama, are also taking significant hits. See our coverage of Kesha Rogers’ Senate campaign, and a number of stories on the growing troubles for the lame-duck President, ranging from Benghazi, to his Cheney war policy, and the IRS (*National*).

Our *Science* section this week features a discussion which the monarchy would also like to ban: how mankind can expand his control over the stratosphere, to deal with the devastating crises being created by the current drought in the Western United States, among other places. This session of the weekly LaRouchePAC New Paradigm Show points directly toward the crucial contributions of Vladimir Vernadsky, which are the subject of a paper by Lyndon LaRouche which we will publish in our next issue.

The Empire is “striking back,” of course, in ways other than the political attacks on LaRouche and his associates. The assault on China is heating up, as is the EU/NATO escalation in Ukraine, in the aftermath of the elections. These crises are indicative of the imperial intent for global depopulation and war.

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British Crown Declares War: On LaRouche Specifically, And on Humanity Generally

May 20—In reviewing the international situation in conjunction with attacks on organizations associated with him in the United States and Europe over the past 48 hours, Lyndon LaRouche stated this evening, that the Queen and the British Empire have signaled that they are now going to attack LaRouche directly, and that the next stage of world war is now beginning.

LaRouche has continuously emphasized over the past two months that Anglo-American provocations of Russia over Ukraine and the military encirclement of both Russia and China by the thuggish and amateurish Obama Administration were mere preludes to a British-directed thermonuclear war option, driven, in timing, by the inevitable collapse of the British/Wall Street monetary system.

Actions by Lyndon LaRouche and Helga Zepp-LaRouche have fed emerging and strengthening opposition in Germany to the Anglo-American war drive, and generated popular opposition in the United States, where LaRouche and candidates Kesha Rogers and Michael Steger are leading a drive for President Obama's impeachment by fellow Democrats. Their drive is to reclaim the Democratic Party by bankrupting Wall Street, and restoring economic and scientific greatness to the United States.

Rogers stunned the Texas Democratic Party by winning enough votes to cause a runoff for the Democratic nomination for U.S. Senate with Dallas dentist and former conservative Republican moneybags David Alameel, who spent over \$4 million to finance his primary

campaign against Rogers and others. The recent activities of the LaRouches have also concretely contributed to emerging war avoidance and economic development policies in both Russia and China.

The troubles of the British Crown in mounting the war they view as necessary for their survival have been compounded recently by widespread circulation of the film "Unlawful Killing,"¹ documenting the role of the Royals in the 1997 murder of Princess Diana and Dodi Fayed and its coverup by the British government. The film focuses on the role of Prince Philip in ordering Diana's murder and prominently features background material first developed by the LaRouche movement, including the quote of Prince Philip that he wants to be reincarnated as a deadly virus so he can contribute to population reduction, and Philip's Nazi connections. On Aug. 5, 1999, the British magazine *Take a Break* responded to LaRouche's exposés of the Royals and the murder of Diana with a nasty article/threat from the British establishment entitled, "Shut This Man's Mouth."

Attack on Campaign Websites

That strategic context set, websites associated with the Kesha Rogers for U.S. Senate campaign and the Michael Steger for Congress campaign were down for several hours on May 19-20 as a result of a massive denial of service attack on their host company, Nation-

1. See review in *EIR*, May 9, 2014.



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Lyndon LaRouche addresses a Moscow press conference, June 28, 2001. Helga Zepp-LaRouche is also seated at the dais. The LaRouches' international influence over decades has made them a continuing target for the British Empire's attack.

builder. The Rogers campaign outage was particularly noteworthy, as early voting has started in Texas. The Nationbuilder platform also serves many other campaigns throughout the United States where elections were being held on Tuesday, May 20th. Nationbuilder's public statement about the attack released May 20 reads as follows: "We are reasonably certain the attack is directed at one of our customers for their political beliefs and is meant to disrupt upcoming elections."

Nationbuilder will not further comment on the customer involved, but Twitter postings during the time of the attack point to an attack in Britain on the United Kingdom Independence Party website by an anonymous hacker who denounced the UKIP's political views as "disgusting." UKIP's website is also hosted by Nationbuilder. UKIP, a populist, anti-immigrant, Euro-skeptic party, is widely expected to post major gains in the European Parliament elections now taking place in Britain and continental Europe.

Computer specialists briefed on the nature of the Nationbuilder outage have told LaRouchePAC that this was probably not a simple hack job by a single hacker, but a sophisticated infrastructure attack. These attacks are generally spawned by such government agencies as the NSA or GCHQ.

At the same time, on May 18 and 19, newspapers in Berlin, Frankfurt, Cologne, and Halle, Germany, featured a renewed direct attack on Lyndon and Helga La-

Rouche by lawyers for Erica Duggan. Her fraudulent attacks on the LaRouches since 2003 have been directly fostered and supported by the British government.

Jeremiah Duggan tragically committed suicide while attending a conference sponsored by the LaRouche movement in Wiesbaden, Germany, in 2003. The conference was called to oppose the Iraq War, and Lyndon LaRouche had been featured during the same time period on the BBC opposing the Anglo-American war drive directly. Dr. David Kelly, a British official who publicly exposed the fakery employed by then-Prime Minister Tony Blair and the British government in the runup to the Iraq War, was killed, according to many Brit-

ish sources, for voicing the same views as LaRouche.

Despite rulings at every level of the German court system, including Germany's highest court, that Jeremiah Duggan's death was a suicide, the British government, Jeremiah's mother Erica Duggan, and her German and British lawyers have continued to claim that Jeremiah was the victim of murder or skullduggery by the LaRouche movement. The German Constitutional Court characterized Duggan's "evidence" of wrongdoing concerning Jeremiah as nothing but unsubstantiated conspiracy theory—in short, a hoax.

Undeterred, the British High Court of Justice ordered a new inquest of Duggan's death in May 2010. According to Duggan's attorneys, the British coroner conducting the inquest has complained through the British Foreign Office that German authorities "refuse to provide information he needs for his proceeding." As an apparent result of British pressure, the Hesse Higher Court (OLG Germany) ruled in December 2012 that the investigation should be reopened to assist the British inquest.

According to the German press reports of the past 24 hours, Erica Duggan's attorneys returned to the court on May 12, 2014 to accuse German prosecutors of flouting the order of the High Court by refusing to investigate properly; Duggan's attorneys are seeking court intervention against the prosecutors. Another hearing in the sham British Duggan inquest is scheduled to occur in London on May 28.

Prince Charles Speaks For the Evil Empire

by Matthew Ehret-Kump and
Nancy Spannaus

May 26—The strategic reality which has gone unspoken by most outside the political movement led by Lyndon LaRouche, came to the fore on May 20, when the heir to the British throne, Charles, Prince of Wales, accused Russian President Vladimir Putin of “doing just about the same as Hitler.” Charles’ outrageous comments, made while surrounded by media during an allegedly private conversation with a Holocaust survivor, reflect the real policy of the British Empire and the royal family—a determination to wage war against Russia and every other sovereign nation-state that stands in the way of its insistence on world domination and depopulation. Such a war at this stage of history would necessarily turn thermonuclear.

The incident immediately became an international scandal, because the Royals are not supposed to make public statements about political matters. While members of the governments in Great Britain and Canada basically came to Charles’ defense, the Russian government took it deadly seriously, with both the Foreign Office and President Putin himself declaring it “unacceptable.”

Equally important, the Prince’s candid comment caused the Russian media to dig into their archives and publish some of the damning facts about the connections of the British royal family itself to the Nazis—facts which were subsequently reprinted in the British tabloid *The Daily Mail*, among other papers. This was hopefully an important step toward recognition of the larger reality that it’s the British Empire, with the monarchy at the center, which is at the center of the global war drive.

A Longstanding Plan

The British Empire’s plan to destroy Russia, as a necessary preliminary to imposing its global Nazi-feudal state, is longstanding. One could trace it back to Bertrand Russell, the evil “academic” of the early 20th Century, who in 1946 outlined the option of a nuclear first strike against the Soviet Union, if it did not agree to his scheme for world government.

A more contemporary exposition of the same idea was published in the London *Economist*, a mouthpiece for the British oligarchy since 1843, on March 17, 2007. The scenario outlined in that article, which was written on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the European Community, has an eerie resemblance to the current conflict with Russia.



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Prince Charles. On the subject of Nazis, it takes one to know one.

The *Economist* package, dedicated to the European Union at 100, and written from the standpoint of 2057, begins with the following scenario:

“The EU is celebrating its 100th birthday with quiet satisfaction. Predictions when it turns 50 that it was doomed to irrelevance in a world dominated by America, China and India proved wide of the mark. A turning point was the bursting of America’s housing bubble and the collapse of the dollar early in the presidency of Barack Obama in 2010.... The other cause for quiet satisfaction has been the EU’s foreign policy. In the dangerous second decade of the century, when Vladi-

mir Putin returned for a third term as Russian president and stood poised to invade Ukraine, *it was the EU that pushed the Obama administration to threaten massive nuclear retaliation...*" (emphasis added).

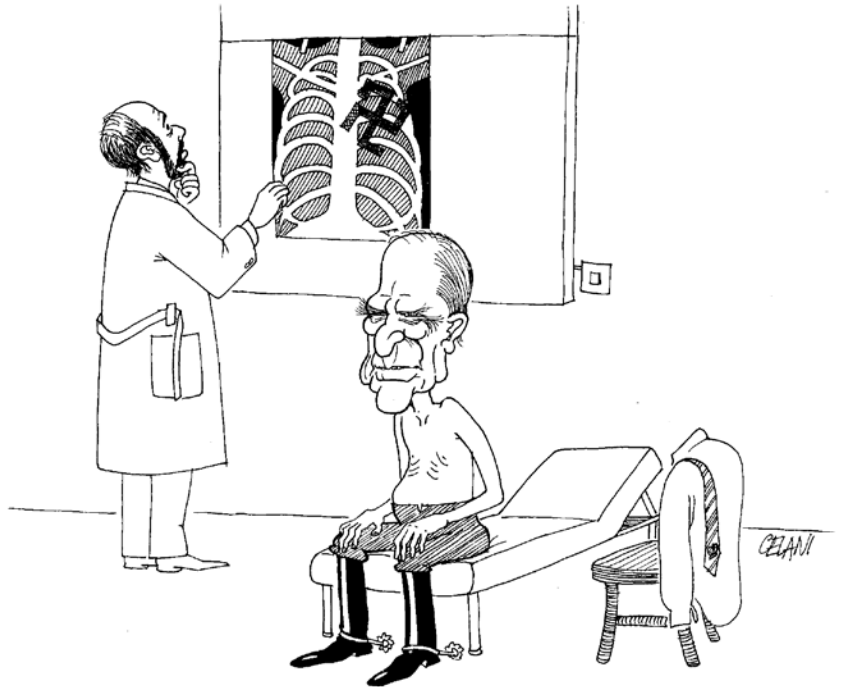
If you understand the dominant role in policy-making for the EU by the monarchy and its think-tanks, the intent behind Charles' painting Putin as Hitler should come into view.

Prince Charles on Tour

During his May 16-21 tour of Canada, Prince Charles made headlines by tossing paper airplanes with his wife Camilla and Prime Minister Stephen Harper, trying to catch fish, touring zoos, and engaging in a countless number of mundane activities. Two aspects of his trip were the most indicative of the real nature of the Crown which he represents: 1) his contribution to the anti-Russian propaganda and war drive by comparing the President of Russia to Adolf Hitler while on a tour of a war museum in Halifax, and 2) his being sworn into the Privy Council of Canada.

Up until recently, Prince Charles—noted for his quirky environmentalism, including the habit of talking to plants—has been treated as a royal joke. True, he followed closely in the footsteps of his genocidal father, in attacking modern agriculture and industry, and patronizing such criminal cohorts of the Empire as the Saudi Kingdom.¹ But, after the 1997 murder of his popular wife Diana—a crime for which many Britons did not see him as blameless—the Prince was largely considered damaged goods. But, as Elizabeth nears her 90th year, Charles' role has been upgraded as a representative of the Royal household, as he has been assigned to take her place at Commonwealth meetings and other places.

Thus it is Charles who is scheduled to represent Great Britain at the June 6 D-Day celebrations in Normandy this year—an occasion that could well prove quite embarrassing, in light of the Russian and other



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attention to his family's close connection to the very Nazis whose defeat is being commemorated.

Nazi Roots of the Windsors

Any member of the House of Windsor should lay off the Nazi insinuations against others. There were more than a few Hitler sympathizers in the Windsor woodpile. Charles' great-uncle, King Edward VIII, who had abdicated the throne in 1936, allegedly for love of American divorcée Wallis Simpson, attempted to join Hitler at the latter's Obersalzberg retreat in order to re-take control of Britain. It was shortly after this failed attempt to retake the Crown through an alliance with Hitler, that consensus was reached in the British Establishment, to send the former King to Bermuda for the remainder of the war.

Then there's Charles' father, Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh. All of the Duke of Edinburgh's three sisters were married to Nazi princes, and the husband of one of them (Sophie) became a Waffen SS officer with the rank of Oberführer (senior leader).²

1. See Richard Freeman and William F. Wertz, Jr., "Charles of Arabia, The British Monarchy, Saudi Arabia, and 9/11," *EIR*, May 23, 2014.

2. Philip's sister Sophie's husband, Prince Christopher of Hesse-Cassel, chief of the Forschungsamt (Directorate of Scientific Research), a special intelligence operation run by Hermann Göring, and he was also Standartenführer (colonel) of the SS on Heinrich Himmler's personal staff. Philip's four brothers-in-law, with whom he lived, all became high-ranking officials in the Nazi Party. See Scott Thompson, "The Nazi

Philip himself maintained the family tradition, first having been educated under a Nazi curriculum centered on eugenics in the 1930s, and then going on to found the World Wildlife Fund (WWF) with fellow one-time Nazi Party member Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands, a lifelong eugenicist and Bilderberg Group founder, in 1961. Philip and Bernhard were joined by Julian Huxley (then president of the Eugenics Society of Britain) as WWF cofounder. Philip is quoted for having stated his desire to return in the next life as a deadly virus to help “solve overpopulation.”³ Under the controlling ideology of the WWF and the Club of Rome, the true intention of the Green movement has not been to preserve nature, as the credulous have been led to believe, but rather nothing less than global depopulation.⁴

Roots of the House of Windsor,” *EIR*, May 24, 1996, for more on this matter.

3. Deutsche Press Agentur in August 1988

4. In a May 1990 interview with *WEST* magazine, Canada’s Maurice Strong (Privy Councillor, former vice president of the WWF, and founding member of the Club of Rome) said: “What if a small group of world leaders were to conclude that the principal risk to the Earth comes from

Charles has taken his father’s mission of reducing the world population to heart, through his leadership of various conservationist organizations, and as patron of the now defunct Liverpool Care Pathway, which was revealed to have euthanized over 60,000 British citizens per year, without their consent, between 2001 and 2013.⁵

Nor are Nazi sympathies simply a matter for older members of the family. It was not long ago that Prince Harry, Charles’ second son, was photographed at a costume party dressed up as a Nazi, swastika armband and all.

The Nazi pedigree of the royal family raises the question: Why has their continuation of Nazi eugenics doctrine in the form of the euthanasia and environmentalist movements not become more widely known?

the actions of the rich countries? And if the world is to survive, those rich countries would have to sign an agreement reducing their impact on the environment. Will they do it? The group’s conclusion is ‘no’. The rich countries won’t do it. They won’t change. So, in order to save the planet, the group decides: Isn’t the only hope for the planet that the industrialized civilizations collapse? Isn’t it our responsibility to bring that about?”

5. *Daily Mail*, Dec. 30, 2012.

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What type of world do we live in, that such startling facts could not be general knowledge?

The Privy Council System

The fact is, the British Empire and its aspirations for population control never ended. The Empire was never the nation of Great Britain, its Parliament, or its people. The true Empire has always been a financial oligarchy which is used by a vast network of power structures to advance the interests of the aristocracy of Europe; The current epicenter of power is the Anglo-Dutch monarchies (otherwise known as the Fount of All Honours). It is this power that controls the Bilderberg Group, and steers American policy through the New York Council on Foreign Relations (the American version of Chatham House), and other institutions.⁶

A key pillar in the control over colonies of Anglo-Dutch influence remains the Privy Council system, which is centered in Britain, but has secondary branches in select Commonwealth countries. It is under the Privy Council's influence that lower-level operatives are instituted in the form of deputy ministers, the Treasury Board, Select Committees, and other appointed officials in the Civil Service. Other key nodes in the public and private sector manage the interests of the Crown. All members of the Canadian Privy Council are sworn to an oath of secrecy and allegiance to the Queen.⁷

While it is popularly believed that such institutions are merely ceremonial affairs reserved uniquely for elected Cabinet members, the truth is anything but. Many key change agents of the Crown who sit on the

6. Chatham House is another name for the Royal Institute for International Affairs (RIIA) begun in 1919 by the leading Milnerites of the Round Table Movement who created the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) in the following year in order to promote eugenics and world government under the League of Nations. The American branch was given its name to avoid allusions to the British terminology due to American mistrust of British intrigue. The Canadian and Australian Branches were begun in 1928 and run most typically by Rhodes Scholars since then. Today, the Canadian Institute for International Affairs has been renamed the Canadian International Council (CIC). The CIC is Chaired by Privy Council member Bill Graham.

7. The Privy Council oath reads: "I, [name], do solemnly and sincerely swear that I shall be a true and faithful servant to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second, as a member of Her Majesty's Privy Council for Canada. I will in all things to be treated, debated and resolved in Privy Council, faithfully, honestly and truly declare my mind and my opinion. I shall keep secret all matters committed and revealed to me in this capacity, or that shall be secretly treated of in Council. Generally, in all things I shall do as a faithful and true servant ought to do for Her Majesty."

Privy Council are not elected officials, not accountable to anyone, but rather agents of vast private influence. In Canada, these include the late Paul Desmarais, Maurice Strong, Charles Bronfman, Bill Graham, John Manley, and of course, at the head of the institution, the royal virus, Prince Philip himself! The current Canadian Party leaders who were sworn in as Privy councilors include Prime Minister Stephen Harper of the Conservative Party, Thomas Mulcair of the New Democratic Party, and Philippe Couillard of the Quebec Liberals. with Justin Trudeau of the Federal Liberal Party being prepared for the honor as of this writing.

As Philip nears his last days, preparing for his reincarnation as a deadly virus, he is making way for his embarrassment of a son to take the reins of the dying British Empire. It is thus no coincidence that it was on May 18 that Prince Charles was sworn in to the Queen's Privy Council of Canada by Governor General David Johnson, perhaps making him the first tampon to occupy the position, but not the first Nazi.

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The British Empire: Satanic Warfare Against Humankind

by Nancy Spannaus and Jeffrey Steinberg

May 26—"For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places," wrote St. Paul in his letter to the *Ephesians*. The Christian Apostle knew whereof he spoke, because he was up against the power of the Roman Empire, an empire committed to destroying the very idea of man in the image of the Creator, not to mention the bodies and lives of the millions it used as slaves. An Empire which ultimately executed him.

For its part, the Roman Empire was only an incarnation of a more ancient imperial force with the same intent, an intent captured most precisely in the Greek dramatist Aeschylus' *Prometheus Bound*. In that play, Aeschylus portrays pure Satanic evil in the character of Zeus, who has determined that he will wipe out the human race, which no longer pleases him. What got in his way was his fellow god Prometheus, who chose to provide man with the gift of *fire* (power over nature), education, culture, science, and the mechanical arts, in an act of love which thwarted Zeus's plan. Zeus condemned Prometheus to eternal torture as punishment for disobeying his will, and daring to treat mankind as anything other than slaves and cattle.

Despite breakthroughs achieved by mankind in the Promethean tradition, the followers of Zeus and the Roman emperors have never been removed from power. The British Empire today, although not evincing the military dominance of yore, is a direct descendant of that Roman Empire, with the same Satanic commitments to the destruction of the *human* race. The fact that this Empire now largely functions "invisibly," through surrogates, faceless institutions, and control of culture, makes it all the more convenient for exercising its global power.

Yet, unless mankind acts *now* to recognize and destroy this Empire, which is fighting for its very existence, the human race is in danger of extinction. In this case, what you don't know can literally kill you.

In the following pages, we will utilize the wealth of

published material from the LaRouche movement, over more than three decades, to draw the mere outlines of the power the British Empire exercises over the world today. You will see that virtually every aspect of your life—what jobs are available, what resources are available and what they cost, what your news sources say, what wars you fight, what terrorism occurs, even what music you "like"—has been, and is being, scripted by tools of a global Empire, whose philosophy is to ensure that you are slaves to its agenda. Some of the data we will use may be outdated in its specifics, but the characteristic is correct. The British Empire, as our map on the cover shows, is the ruler over the bulk of the planet.

Recognizing the nature of the enemy is the first step to defeating it.

The Physical Empire

When you think about the British Empire, forget the United Kingdom. It's a minor piece of the Empire, and the bulk of its people are as much slaves of the Empire as are the populations in other countries.

At this point in time, the main visible manifestation of the British Empire, and the power of the British Crown, is the British Commonwealth of Nations. The Commonwealth, founded in 1949, is a political and economic treaty organization that is under the direct control of the British monarchy. There are 52 countries in the British Commonwealth of Nations, and they make up 29% of the world's population, a little under one-third. They take up 24% of the entire land area of the planet.

And among those 52 governments and countries that are in varying degrees under the control of the British Crown, there are 16 countries in which the British monarchy is the absolute sovereign. That not only includes the United Kingdom, but also Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and almost all the British offshore financial centers in the Caribbean, from the Bahamas to the Cayman Islands to Antigua—these British Crown colonies are under the direct control of the British Queen.

There is a popular claim, of course, that the Queen



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is just a figurehead, with no real control in Great Britain or anywhere else. Think again.

The real sovereign power inside the United Kingdom itself rests exclusively with the monarchy. The power of the Queen includes the following:

- She has the absolute power to declare war.
 - She has the absolute power to appoint all of the military commanders of all of the British military and intelligence services.
 - She has the authority to dissolve parliament at any time she wishes, without explanation.
 - She has the authority to dismiss and replace a prime minister at her whim.
 - All judges are appointed by the Crown.
 - All of the archbishops of the Church of England are appointed by the Crown.
 - The Crown has the absolute authority to conclude all treaties; and finally,
 - Only the Queen has the authority to issue pardons.
- So, the *real*, physical power resides with the monarchy.

There have been periods when the monarchy has been weak; generally, even under those circumstances, it has not been the parliament that's been the center of

power, but the City of London, the Empire's financial center. There were periods during the height of the British East India Company, when the Company, which was a Crown-licensed company, had its own private mercenary army; had a more advanced fleet, a more advanced navy; had greater actual power through the control of financial institutions, particularly the Baring Bank.

But there's never been any kind of representative government in the U.K. The Commonwealth was established because it was clear that there had to be a transformation of the Empire, into something that began to look more like the modern world, particularly in the period after World War II, when the United States emerged as a leading world power.

Even earlier, after the U.S. Civil War, the British had to deal with the fact that the United States could no longer be defeated militarily—they had tried it three times and failed all three times. They tried to crush the Revolution. They tried it in the War of 1812. And they tried it using other means during the Civil War, when they organized the Southern secession.

When they were defeated in all of those efforts, in part through the help of international allies of the United States—including Russia, in a very prominent way—the British adapted to the new reality of the emergence of the United States as a leader of a system of sovereign nation-states around the world, by exercising other methods of control. Brute force took a back seat, where possible.

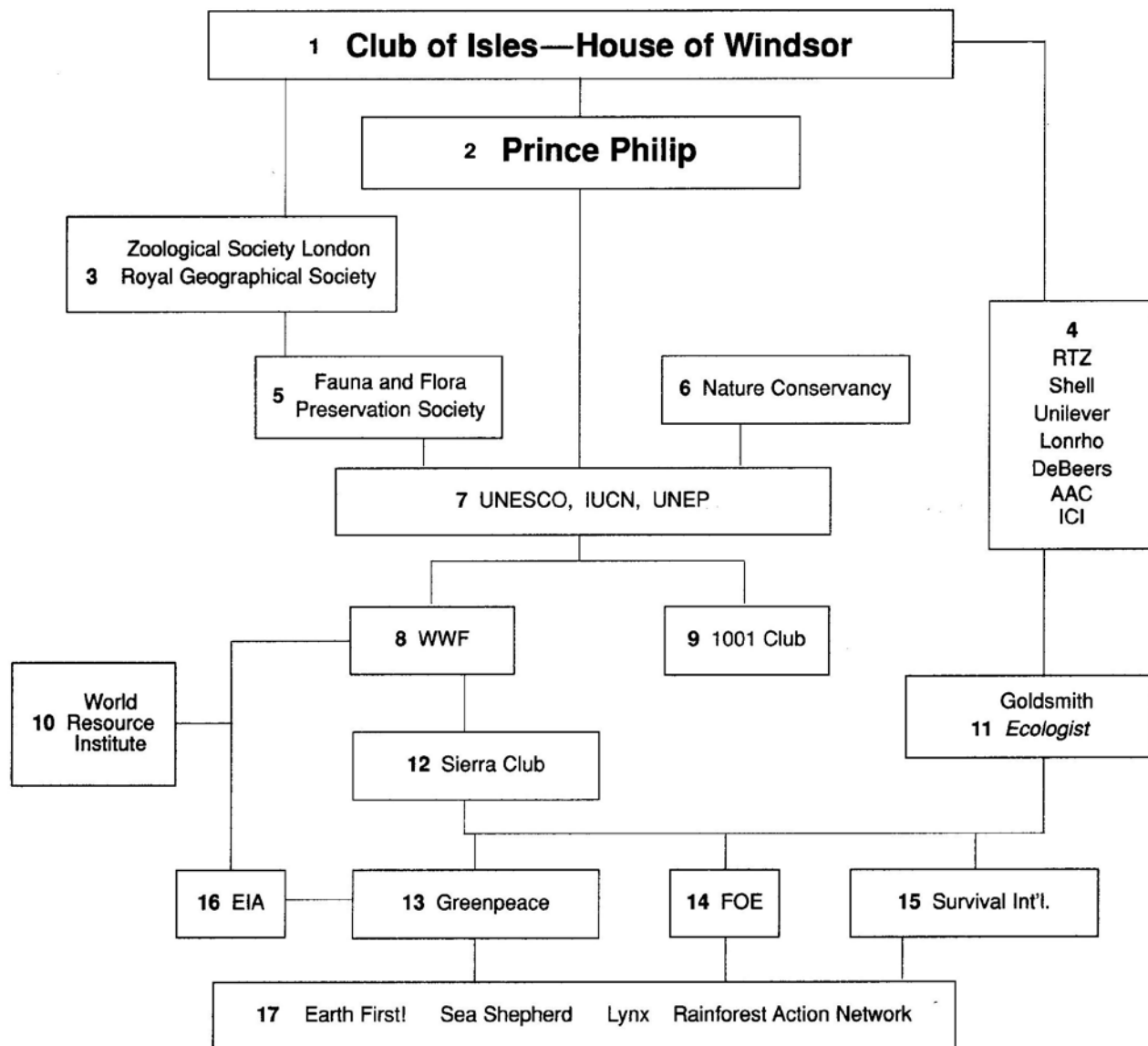
The Financial Empire

Even through the heyday of the British Empire militarily, which lasted with heights and troughs up to the end of the Second World War, the actual power came primarily through control over the means of sustenance for life—the economy. The Empire dominated the sources of raw materials, food, and credit for most of the globe. And much of that control continues today.

Raw materials: So, if you look at Africa, for example, it has remained a colony of the Empire in fact, despite nominal independence, because it has remained a mere plantation, a source of raw materials, for powerful cartels. The major British cartels—the Anglo American Corporation, the LonRho Corporation, Rio Tinto Zinc—are among the leading strategic raw material cartels on the planet today. And the British monarchy is the largest single shareholder in most of these big raw material cartels, from BP and Royal Dutch Shell, to Rio Tinto Zinc and Anglo American Corporation.

The world's wealthiest family, by far, in terms of

FIGURE 1

Prince Philip's Allgemeine SS

actual physical assets owned, is the British royal family. Their assets are estimated at well over \$1 trillion, between real estate, shares in these raw material cartels, the jewelry and art works; and all of these things are the possession of the British Crown. A similar situation prevails in control over food cartels. This is not some quaint little backwater factor in world history.

The monarchy also has a global financial policy. It often goes under the name of “free trade,” although nowadays that is supplemented by an explicit anti-science demand, in the name of “saving the environment.” We’ll get to that ideology later. The ideology is primarily a means of getting people to agree to the imperial

financial demand that the development of the productive powers of labor of the *entire* population of the planet, as expressed in increasing power over nature and creative powers of the human mind, be ruthlessly subordinated to the interests of the ruling oligarchical class. That class insists on maintaining its power by keeping populations stupid, and not too numerous—just in case they might get the idea of overthrowing the oligarchy, and organizing society without it.

Finance: In addition to controlling the physical means of existence—land, food, raw materials—empires must control money and credit. Thus, we enter into the realm of finance and banking, and find, once again,

that it is dominated by the financial oligarchy which has its major center in London, and of which the royal family is a major factor.

A 1995 report from a conference co-sponsored by the Royal Institute of International Affairs (RIIA) and Her Majesty's government, identified the areas where, at that point, the City of London dominated the world through finance. A report by the Group Chief Executive of HSBC Holdings PLC (formerly Hongkong Shanghai Banking Corporation) cited the City's dominance in the following areas:

- foreign exchange turnover;
- issuance of Eurobonds;
- the London Metal Exchange,

the International Petroleum Exchange, and the London Commodity Exchange; and

- institutional fund management.

These are supplemented by two other financial “businesses” that have burgeoned in the last 20 years, notably the derivatives markets, and the recently notoriously “fixed” London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR), by which trillions were swindled from people and government institutions around the world.

The beauty of this system for the Empire is that it works virtually invisibly. When a businessman, or ordinary worker, goes to a bank to seek a loan, he faces conditions on the “global markets” which largely determine what his local bank can do. The terms of borrowing, the areas which are considered profitable to lend to, the insurance to be charged—all come from the international financial arrangements which are heavily controlled in London—and, of course, its junior partner on Wall Street, USA.

This financial dictatorship, from the major money-center banks, which coordinate with, if they not are controlled by, London, literally decides who lives and who dies. It is a system which has come under mortal threat very rarely, and most strongly from the United States national banking systems of Alexander Hamilton and Abraham Lincoln. Even the leading Eurasian nations, Russia and China, which are currently challenging London's demands in the geopolitical sphere, are subject to conditions set by the London markets—and will be until they too decide to restore nationally sovereign credit systems, and escape the London monetarist noose.



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The Dope Trade: Lyndon LaRouche and *EIR* delivered one of their sharpest blows to the British Empire in the late 1970s, with the publication of the book *Dope, Inc., Britain's Opium War against the U.S.* In that book, an *EIR* research team laid bare the historical, and ongoing, controls by the London-centered banks over the international dope trade, which it imposed at the barrel of a gun upon nations in Asia in the 19th Century, but continues to use as a major source of wealth and control today.

The thesis was simple: It is the British imperial system, the financiers, which created the international drug trade for imperial purposes. If you want to stop it, go after the dope banks, which are still doing the same thing today.

EIR's latest update on *Dope, Inc.* was published in 2009, and is still available. It would take another entire book or two to update this picture today, but suffice it to say, that UN authorities on the drug trade and crime still testify that illegal drug money is sustaining the world financial system;¹ and that the push for drug legalization is coming straight from London, including the House of Lords, and financiers such as George Soros, for the sake of both financial and political control.

The Empire of War

As Zeus famously wished to exterminate the human race, so the British Empire is committed to what Prince

1. See “Former UN Official: Banks Are Awash in Dope Money,” *EIR*, April 27, 2012.

Philip calls “culling the herd,” reducing the world population to what the royals and their dupes consider an appropriate “carrying capacity,” which, without the benefit of the technological leaps into thermonuclear fusion power and beyond, which could soon be readily available, will be very few people indeed. Royal agents such as German “climate scientist” John Schellnhuber and U.S. butterfly scientist Paul Ehrlich have specified the target at 1 to 2 billion people at most, from the current population of more than 7 billion. Genocide.

At present we will skip over the well-known instances of the Empire’s record of genocide in Ireland, India, and Africa—all well-known, although today often ignored—and turn to the present application of the war policy.

British imperial policy, as today expressed frequently by the Queen’s loyal servant Tony Blair, is *permanent war*; wars that, when they are waged against thermonuclear-armed rivals to the Empire, such as Russia and China, threaten extinction of the human race. True, the British often instigate these wars indirectly, through their “think-tank” advice, “educating” diplomats from other nations (such as current National Security Advisor Susan Rice, for example), and the like. But as the cases of Blair, and NATO policy since the fall of the Berlin Wall, show, this is British policy direct from the top, the monarchy.

Why didn’t the fall of Communism lead to a new era of peace and cooperation among nations around the globe? Because the British Empire intervened to stop it! Her Majesty’s government, then headed by Margaret Thatcher, intervened globally, both with the George H.W. Bush Administration, and with the Europeans, to insist on policies that would bring war—from financial austerity policies for the East and Russia, to raw materials warfare in Iraq, to the expansion of NATO up to the borders of Russia. Those who opposed such policies, notably Deutsche Bank President Alfred Herrhausen, were gotten out of the way with assassination,



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Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip (2011). As they near their last days, they are making way for their embarrassment of a son to take the reins of the Empire.

and the policy has brought us right up to the present crisis.

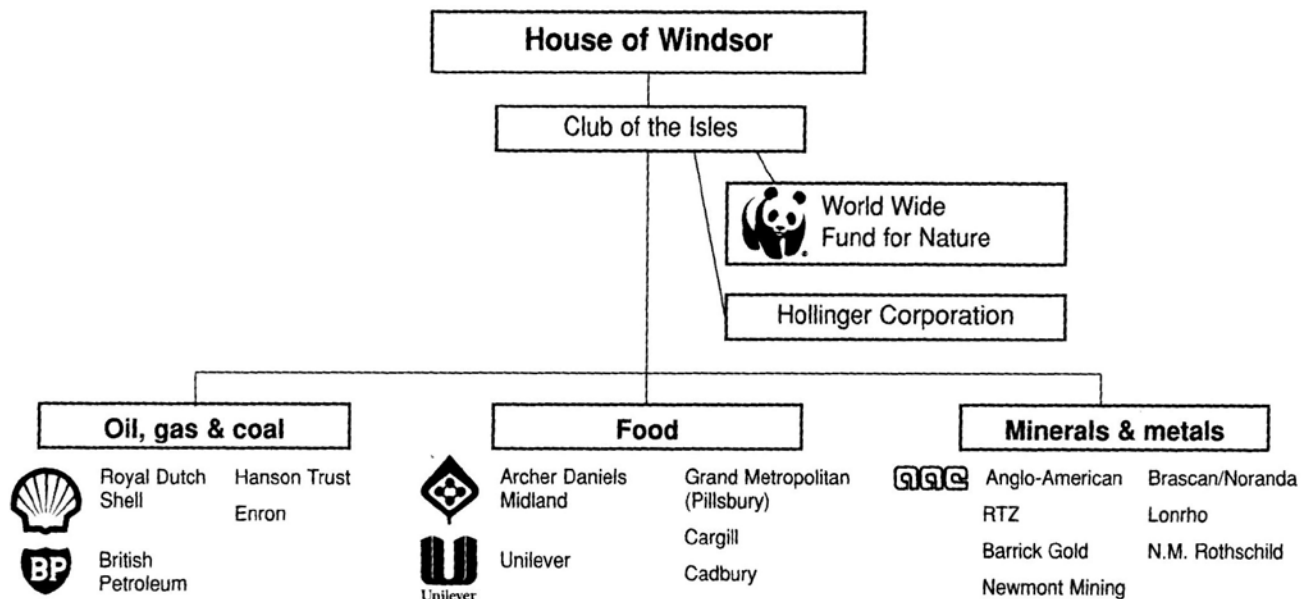
Later, Her Majesty’s government under Tony Blair, accelerated the process by lying to launch the second Iraq War—an action which was pivotal in creating a new, seemingly permanent state of religious warfare around the globe.

These war policies have been supplemented by another hallmark of the British Empire, *terrorism*. As most governments know, but won’t say, London is the capital of world terrorism, “Londonistan,” the place where the most brutal terrorist gangs are incubated, funded, and deployed. Not only nominal Muslims, but terrorists of every nationality, find their home there—as they did way back in the mid-19th Century of the infamous Prime Minister under Queen Victoria, Lord Palmerston.

EIR has published Special Reports and volumes on this subject, with special attention to the British Empire/Saudi Kingdom cooperation in financing and deploying the 9/11 attacks in 2001 against the United States. These are all available. But it is absolutely critical that this particularly egregious scandal not be seen as an isolated incident, but a product of British imperial *policy*—destroying all sovereign nation-states, most emphatically including the United States.

FIGURE 2

House of Windsor Control of Raw Materials



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War on the Mind

Among all the crimes of the British Empire, the most Satanic is its killing of minds and souls, a destruction that deliberately seeks to extirpate the uniquely human quality of creative reason and *agapē*. This is done particularly through the control of culture and education, and has been devastatingly successful, as Lyndon LaRouche has pointed out, particularly since the early part of the 20th Century, with the arrival of the evil Lord Bertrand Russell on the international scene.

To Russell's seminal role can be traced the British assault on science, Classical culture, and the very identity of human beings as a species *above* animals. Russell has died, but his legacy lives on in the dominance of the Green movement in particular, whose application would condemn the human race to extinction.

Particularly since the end of World War II, the Empire has revived the policies of eugenics, and radical Malthusianism in the name of "saving the environment" from the alleged threat of "overpopulation." The Queen's Consort Prince Philip takes the point on this matter, unabashedly pursuing Nazi policies on various fronts. (See article, p. 6)

There are leading representatives of this empire

who have made the point repeatedly. If you have a large and expanding human population, then you must necessarily have modern science, modern infrastructure, vast capacities for food production, scientific exploration—all of the things that destroy the principle of oligarchical power.

Russell explicated this policy. He was a scion of one of the old British oligarchical families. His grandfather, who raised him, had been Foreign Secretary during the 19th-Century heyday of the British Empire. And in 1953, Russell wrote a book with the alluring title *The Impact of Science Upon Society*. But here's what he means by science. He means the social science to conduct genocide:

"But bad times, you say, are exceptions, and can be dealt with by exceptional methods. This has been more or less true during the honeymoon period of industrialism. But it will not remain true *unless the increase of population of the world is enormously diminished*. War, so far, has had no very great effect upon this increase, which continued throughout each of the world wars. . . . War . . . has been disappointing in this respect . . . but perhaps bacteriological war may prove more effective. If a Black Death could spread throughout the world once in every generation, survivors could procre-

ate freely without making the world too full.... The state of affairs might be somewhat unpleasant, but what of it? Really high-minded people are indifferent to happiness, especially other people's" (emphasis added).

This is the mindset, this is the mentality of the Empire.

People today, a vast majority of people around you, every day, spit out foolishness about this or that aspect of environmentalism, global warming, all of these things, when in fact, the whole ideology of environmentalism, as distinct from, obviously, scientific principles for advancing technology and avoiding pollution, and things like that—but the whole ideology of the green movement was developed coming out of World War II, as a revival of eugenics, by people like Julian and Aldous Huxley. Look at their writings from the 1940s, when they founded organizations such as the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and the Nature Conservancy. What they said at that time was, Hitler gave eugenics a bad name, and therefore, to revive eugenics, we're going to have to simply use different terminology. We will call it conservation.

All of the environmental movements that you think of today began as elite, oligarchical organizations devoted to genocide, and to reviving the principles of eugenics. Julian Huxley was the president of the International Eugenics Society at the time that he was involved in founding the Nature Conservancy, and later when Prince Philip and Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands were involved in 1961 in launching the World Wildlife Fund, and the 1001 Club. The policy all along has been radical Malthusian genocide.

Much more could be said about the application of Russell's war on the soul through identifiable British imperial projects to replace true science with statistical mathematics (largely accomplished today); to crush Classical music and literature; to create a controlled environment of "information" to replace the search for actual knowledge—in sum, to try to replace a sense of true human identity with the lie that man is just an animal seeking pleasure, and trying to avoid pain. In other words, a slave.

Destroying the U.S.

The major problem the British Empire has had to deal with since the late 18th Century has been the United States, the only nation to carry out a successful revolution against it, in principle, and in fact, to chal-

lenge imperial hegemony on a world scale. After the Civil War, a failed British project to destroy the U.S., the Empire determined to proceed instead by more "peaceful" means of subversion and corruption. That subversion has been so successful that, for most Americans, it has apparently wiped out any true sense of what our Revolution represented, in terms of a battle against the imperial principle of Zeus, embodied today in the British Empire.

It has fallen to LaRouche and his political movement to fight to revive the American principle, in its full depth as a Promethean principle against Empire. That is why LaRouche and his associates have been repeatedly targeted by the Empire and its agents in the United States and elsewhere, and why, with its utter bankruptcy staring it in the face, the British Empire is lashing out once again.

The Empire, of course, cannot survive. It is a violation of the very nature of the universe. But it can bring us all down with it, unless we act to destroy it first.

Documentation

The Duggan Case

Jeremiah Duggan committed suicide by throwing himself in front of three cars on Federal Highway 455 near Wiesbaden, Germany, in March 2003, dying on the third attempt. According to the Wiesbaden police report and a statement to the BBC in February 2004 by Wiesbaden prosecutor Dr. Dieter Arlet, Duggan died as a consequence of his own behavior and with no one else involved. "We are 100% certain that it was a suicide."

Duggan's mother, Erica Duggan, appealed the prosecutor's decision to close the investigation in the German court system. In 2006, the Regional Appeals Court Frankfurt am Main rejected her application, finding it without merit; and on Feb. 4, 2010, the Federal Constitutional Court, Germany's highest court, sustained the original police finding.

In April 2007, Hartmut Ferse of the public prosecutor's office in Wiesbaden showed a reporter for the *Wiesbadener Kurier* ten thick folders of documents related to the case, telling him that no other suicide had caused so much work for his office. He suggested that

contrary theories had developed because Erica Duggan could not accept that her son committed suicide. The newspaper referred to the various theories put forth by the Duggans and their British government supporters as myths, which gained adherents without any evidence.

In its decision, the Constitutional Court stated: “There are no indications that the son of the appellant was not killed by the accident on Federal Highway 455 which he caused himself.” Noting the counter-argument by Erica Duggan that Duggan was killed by an

unknown party at another location and then, to cover up the crime, was taken to the scene of his death, the Court said, “The correctness of such an assumption implies and presupposes that several drivers (who saw Duggan in the road or who Duggan attempted to throw himself at and who gave statements to the police) who were out and about at various times, would have colluded and at least would have participated in the construction of the accident event found by the police and the expert.” The Court portrayed this assumption as absurd and completely unsubstantiated.

British Royalist Circles’ Death Threat vs. LaRouche

May 21—The British monarchy’s current operation against LaRouche and his associates follows a long history of such attempts to shut down the LaRouche movement as a perceived threat to its power. One of the most striking examples came in August 1999, when a widely read British women’s magazine published an unmistakable death threat against LaRouche.

The magazine in question is *Take a Break*, a gossip magazine, which is published by the Bauer Publishing House, headquartered in Hamburg, Germany. In its Aug. 5, 1999 edition, its cover was dominated by a large photo of LaRouche’s face, with the large print titled “Shut This Man’s Mouth.” The piece featured an array of commentators, all unnamed, who ranted about how LaRouche and his associated publications were becoming dangerous to the monarchy.

In his coverage of the piece, *EIR*’s senior intelligence specialist Mark Burdman noted at the time that “best estimates are that the article . . . was planted by Britain’s MI6 secret service and/or senior advisers to Queen Elizabeth II at Buckingham Palace.”

Take a Break author Katie Fraser characterized LaRouche as “dangerous,” and claimed that Buckingham Palace had become “increasingly alarmed” at the fact that exposés by LaRouche’s publications, on matters such as the murder of Princess Diana, “are being spread around the globe.”

Burdman’s report continued: “Fraser quoted an unnamed commentator, declaring that LaRouche’s claims represent ‘the biggest threat ever to the reputation of the Queen worldwide. . . . Something has to be done.’ Another commentator asserted: ‘It is vital to protect the Queen as a symbol of decency in a sometimes wicked world. She is a figurehead for all that is good about Britain. That must be protected at all costs.’

“Fraser claimed that ‘until recently, the British establishment has ignored’ LaRouche’s claims, ‘hoping they would fade quietly away. But they have not faded away. In fact, they are continuing to grow like a virus. Now the question is: Can they be ignored any longer? . . . Politicians and commentators alike are waiting to see what course of action the Queen’s advisers are likely to recommend.’

“Fraser concluded: ‘*Take a Break* says it’s time that Lyndon LaRouche was told to shut his evil mouth once and for all.’”

At the time, Lyndon LaRouche was a pre-candidate for the Democratic Party nomination for President in 2000, and the campaign issued a statement saying that it was treating the piece as a “cover for an MI6 order, probably with direct backing from someone in the royal household, to assassinate Lyndon LaRouche. . . . The inflammatory article . . . reflects a growing hysteria round Buckingham Palace, over the growing global influence of LaRouche’s ideas and his continuing exposé of the British oligarchy. . . . The appearance of such a highly politicized piece, that is so violent in tone . . . signals that this crowd is out for blood.”

The full article can be found in [EIR](#), Aug. 13, 1999.

Russia and China Join Forces To Derail London's War Plans

by William Jones

May 23—The summit in Shanghai between Chinese President Xi Jinping and Russian President Vladimir Putin, which concluded yesterday, is a focal point for the mobilization of the nations of Asia against the threat of war coming out of London and Washington. The increasing drumbeat against Russia and China from the British Empire and its minions, including the Queen's puppet Barack Obama, has brought the world to the brink of war. As Lyndon LaRouche has continually stressed, the London-based financial oligarchy, fearing the imminent demise of their financial hegemony with the growing economic and military strength of China and Russia, is prepared to start a war in a last-ditch attempt to maintain their power. The recent statements by the heir to the British throne, Prince Charles, comparing Russian President Vladimir Putin to Hitler, only underlined the source of the threat to Russia.

Following the British line of attack, President Obama has launched an offensive against Russia, through the destabilization of Ukraine, and against China, by building an alliance of its traditional, and disgruntled, allies—in particular, Japan—as a military counterweight to the growing influence of China in Asia. Fully conscious of the dangerous implications of these developments, Russia and China are combining their efforts to derail the British war plans.

The strategic situation was central to the agenda of

the Russia-China summit. In his comments at the conclusion of his meeting with the Russian President, President Xi referred to their common fight against fascism during the Second World War and the importance of the agreements among the victorious powers in the aftermath of the war. The allusion would also be pregnant with meaning for the Russian President, who has extensively commented on the rise of the followers of the late Nazi fellow-traveler Stepan Bandera in the anti-Russian ferment in Ukraine.

China continually refers to its struggle against fascism in its territorial dispute with Japan. "In this connection," Xi said, "President Putin and I have discussed that we should together next year [the 70th anniversary of the end of World War II] carry out, in collaboration with the UN and the SCO [Shanghai Cooperation Organization], joint celebrations and commemorative events. We will, together with the countries of the entire world, seek to safeguard the achievements of World War II and the post-war order." In his remarks, President Putin also referred to these celebrations and stressed Russia's increasing cooperation with China in the military arena.

At the conclusion of the summit, the two leaders issued a comprehensive joint declaration, which represents a significant upgrading of the two countries' relationship in all areas. It reiterated their commitment to continue to coordinate their positions on a large



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Chinese President Xi Jinping and Russian President Vladimir Putin at the opening ceremony of their countries' joint naval maneuvers, May 20, 2014. The Queen and Obama were not amused.

A New Silk Road and New Financial Architecture

The declaration gave clear support to two initiatives for economic development in the region, President Xi's proposal for the Silk Road Economic Belt and President Putin's Eurasian Economic Union. The statement is significant in that Russia has been wary of the Chinese initiative in Central Asia, a region in which Russia (and before it, the Soviet Union) has long played the decisive role. The Joint Statement explicitly expresses Russia's appreciation for China's consideration of Russia's interests in the implementation of the Silk Road project. The statement said that both parties were committed to converge the two projects as much as possible, particularly with regard to the creation of new transportation grids in the region.

number of international issues: the North Korean nuclear issue, Syria, Iran, and Afghanistan, underlining the growing threat emanating from that country after the planned withdrawal of U.S. troops this year, in terms of both terrorism and the spread of narcotics.

"We have agreed to coordinate our foreign policy steps more closely," Putin told reporters, "including within the UN, BRICS [Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Korea], and APEC [Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation forum]."

The declaration also stressed the intent to increase the role of the SCO, the BRICS, and the Conference on Interaction and Confidence-Building Measures in Asia (CICA) in international matters.

The two pledged to increase their own influence in international organizations, such as the UN Security Council, and stressed the importance of the UN in the resolution of international crises. The declaration also called for a reform of the Security Council to better meet the increasing demands placed upon it.

Giving the lie to the Western propaganda, which has falsely claimed that Putin was preparing to invade Ukraine, the joint declaration calls for a diplomatic solution to the crisis in Ukraine and demands that *all* the parties there engage in a dialogue to find a solution that guarantees the rights of all the country's citizens.

tation grids in the region.

The declaration also emphasized the importance of the APEC summit in November, which will be held in Beijing. It expressed a desire that the APEC summit become a forum for creating a zone of trade among *all* the Asia-Pacific nations, a direct challenge to the partisan Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) pushed by the U.S. in order to bring the other Asian economies into trade agreements that effectively excluded China.

Perhaps most unnerving for the British Empire crowd, which has hitherto ruled the world through its control of the international financial system, is the clause that calls for a reform of the global financial system "in accordance with the needs of the real economy," and increasing the supervision of the governments over the administration of financial affairs. As LaRouche has so emphatically stressed, it is the crisis of the London-based financial system which is the primary impulse for the game-masters of London to push for global war rather than relinquish their financial control.

A Mutual Economic Platform

But the cement which binds the two countries most closely together is the extensive economic agreements signed at the summit. Most significant was the final resolution of the natural gas deal, which has been under negotiation for a decade, but was tied up over



the question of pricing. While the international press was crowing that the agreement would again fall through, the two leaders succeeded in cutting the Gordian knot.

By this agreement, Russia will ultimately provide China, over a 30-year period, with 38 billion cubic meters of natural gas annually. While Russia may have reduced its price somewhat, China has committed to building the portion of the pipeline required within its own borders, and will provide loans to Russia for the development of the fields and pipeline construction within Russian territory. The agreement was signed on May 20 in the presence of the two Presidents.

But the economic agreements go far beyond the gas and oil arrangements, as 46 major accords were signed during the summit. These will expand mutual investment in transportation infrastructure, mining development, and housing projects in Russia, and “increase the effectiveness of cooperation in areas of high technology, developing collaboration in the realization of priority projects such as the international use of nuclear energy, civil aviation, and in the program of cooperation on fundamental space research, satellite monitoring of the Earth, satellite navigation, and the study of deep space and human astronautics.” Three new bridges will be built over the Amur River, which marks the border between the two countries,

and Russia will facilitate China’s shipment of goods using its railway networks and ports as well as the Northern Sea route.

“Our countries have accomplished an enormous amount of joint work to reach this new historic landmark—a comprehensive partnership and strategic co-operation,” Putin said. “China has gained a firm foothold as our main partner.” He noted that the present relationship between the two partners is the best it has ever been historically.

The joint statement noted the increasing cooperation between the two countries at all levels: governmental, regional, and local. Not of least importance is the significant upgrading of the military cooperation between the two nations. Just prior to the Shanghai summit, the two leaders witnessed the start of a joint naval maneuver in the East China Sea. And while they have conducted many such joint maneuvers in the past, this one was unusual in two respects. While previously each country had command over its own military units, this time there was joint command, with both Russian and Chinese officers. The choice of the East China Sea, the location of a major territorial dispute between China and Japan over the Diaoyu Islands, sends a clear message to Japan. While Russia is thus supportive of China’s concerns in this respect, it also has its own message for the Japanese leadership, which is under great pres-



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President Putin with President of the Islamic Republic of Iran Hassan Rouhani in Shanghai, May 21, 2014, at the summit of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence-Building Measures in Asia.

sure from Washington to cooperate in imposing sanctions on Russia.

A New Security Architecture

The Shanghai summit segued nicely into a larger event, embracing most of the Asian nations, the summit of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence-Building Measures in Asia (CICA). President Putin's visit to Shanghai was scheduled so as to coincide with his participation in this important gathering.

The CICA was formed at the suggestion of Kazakhstan President Nursultan Nazarbayev in 1992, at the UN General Assembly; it comprises 26 Asian nations. Up until now it has played a rather modest role in international affairs, with only three summit meetings since its formation. But now that China will chair the organization, President Xi is moving to transform the CICA into a key instrument in preventing war in Asia.

At the dinner welcoming the other delegates, Xi and Putin were shoulder-to-shoulder, as if to underline the importance of their bilateral relations for the region as a whole. Present at the summit were representatives of 47 nations and international organizations, including President Houssain Rouhani of Iran, UN Secretary General Ban Ki-Moon, and a host of other heads of state from Asia and the Middle East. In his initial statement, President Xi offered a proposal for creating a security architecture in Asia which took consideration of *all* the countries in the region.

Rejecting the "Cold War model," where countries create security alliances in opposition to an envisioned foe, Xi said the new conditions in the world required a new mode of thinking. "A military alliance which is targeted at a third party is not conducive to common regional security," Xi said, with a clear aim at the Obama "pivot" which is beefing up its traditional alliances in the region. "No country should seek absolute security for itself at the expense of others.... We cannot just have security for one or a few countries while leaving the rest insecure." Quoting an old Kazakh saying, Xi warned, "One who tries to blow out another's lamp will set his beard on fire."

Xi said that China would use the next two years of its chairmanship of CICA to make it into a security dialogue and cooperation platform covering the whole of Asia. He called for efforts to enhance the capacity and



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Presidents Putin and Xi before the ceremony signing a 30-year agreement for Russian natural gas supplies to China.

institution building of the CICA, improving the functions of the secretariat, and establishing a mechanism for defense consultations among member states. He also suggested that summits be held more often. "China will fulfill the responsibilities of CICA chairman and work with other sides to improve the status and role of CICA to take Asian security cooperation to a higher level," Xi said.

"Asian countries must collaborate with each other and work together," he told his colleagues. "Asian nations have the capacity to realize security in Asia by cooperating among themselves." His reasoning was obviously persuasive. The joint declaration issued at the end of the summit stated clearly: "We maintain that no State will strengthen its security at the expense of security of other States. Bearing in mind the UN Security Council's primary responsibility under the UN Charter for maintenance of international peace and security, we emphasize that no State, group of States, or organization can have pre-eminent responsibility for maintaining peace and stability."

Truly, Russia and China have struck a blow at the war plans of the British satraps in the White House. But the recent terrorist attack in Urumqi, China, coming in the wake of this important summit, indicates that the British Empire is well aware of the implications of the events in Shanghai and is prepared to use all means to disrupt and destroy them, in order to maintain its financial hegemony.

Eurasian Development Or Obama's War

by Mike Billington

May 23—In stark contrast to the summit between Russian President Vladimir Putin and Chinese President Xi Jinping May 20-21, which set an historic course for cooperation in energy, rail, nuclear, space, and other crucial areas for peace and development (see article, p.18), the British Empire and its puppet President Barack Obama have pulled every available string to create chaos in Asia, aimed at disrupting the strategic and economic alliance of these great Eurasian powers. Just in the past weeks, at least six crisis points have been activated on the Chinese periphery, each aimed at disrupting Eurasian cooperation for development, and several serving as potential sparks for war against China and Russia, while direct attacks on China were activated by both Washington and London, involving terrorist operations and economic warfare.

The terrorist attacks came in the form of a deadly dual car bomb assault on a civilian market in Urumqi, the capital of the western Xinjiang Uighur Autonomous Region, on May 22. As *EIR* documented in its April 18 issue (“Xinjiang’s Uighur Jihadists and the Wahhabi Empire of al-Qaeda”), the British-Saudi al-Qaeda terrorist apparatus has taken over the Uighur separatist movement over the past five years, and over the past year has launched terrorist assaults both in Xinjiang and in other cities around China. The recent suicide car bombing in Urumqi, killing 43 and injuring over 90, was the most brutal and sophisticated attack thus far.

The legal-economic warfare came directly from the Obama Administration, as U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder (who has protected Obama from his multiple crimes against the Constitution and against humanity) on May 19 announced criminal indictments against five officers of the Chinese People’s Liberation Army, for hacking into U.S. corporations on behalf of Chinese companies. The ludicrous nature of the U.S. issuing cyber warfare charges against China, after Edward Snowden’s exposure of massive U.S. cyberwar against

governments, businesses, and private citizens all over the world by the National Security Agency, has not been lost on even the most hardened Obama supporters in the United States, and the backfire is exposing Obama to even more hatred and rage across the nation, including increasingly from Democrats. Nonetheless, the Obama Administration has threatened to impose economic sanctions on China over the alleged cyber attacks.

A survey of the six most immediate crisis spots around China’s periphery demonstrates the serious, but desperate nature of the British Empire’s efforts to destabilize the entire region (**Figure 1**).

Thailand

The Thai military declared a coup on May 22, detaining the leaders of both sides of the decade-long conflict between the elected governments, which have supported major development projects in collaboration with China and others, and the royalist mobs, committed to ending representational government in favor of a return to a feudal absolute monarchy and political dictatorship. The royalists are celebrating the coup, since their intention all along has been to force the military to take over and eliminate constitutional government altogether.

Although the official U.S. response has been to condemn the coup as an attack on democracy, the operation has clearly been run by Obama’s controllers in the British monarchy. Not only does the British Queen treasure the Thai monarchy as a junior partner to the British Empire, but the political party representing the royalists, the Democrats, is run by a British-born, -bred and -educated leader, Abhisit Vejjajiva, whose party has sabotaged every effort to hold new elections, since it was sure to lose. The situation is in no way resolved by the coup, and is moving ever closer to civil war—the intention of the British Queen and her Privy Councils, both in London and in Bangkok.

Thailand is the crucial hub of continental Southeast Asia, which has coordinated relations between the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and China, and used its economic strength to uplift its poorer neighbors. All of that is now in great jeopardy.

Vietnam

On May 1, the Vietnamese government responded militarily to the Chinese deployment of an oil rig in the area of the Paracel Islands, which lie midway between Vietnam and China’s Hainan Island. The move was ap-

parently encouraged by the Obama Administration's overt promotion of provocative actions by Japan and the Philippines in their territorial disputes with China during Obama's recent tour of Asia (see "Obama's Failed Asia Trip: Nothing Left But War," *EIR*, May 2, 2014). Although the territory is contested between the two nations, China has full administrative authority over the islands and has long been developing the region economically. The deployment of multiple Vietnamese warships to attempt to disrupt the oil rig operations resulted in the use of Chinese water cannons and the reported ramming of ships by both sides.

The more rational leaders in Vietnam are now deeply regretting the military deployment, and the riling up of anti-China sentiment within Vietnam, encouraged by Obama, since it is leading rapidly to a serious crisis of the Vietnamese economy. Mass demonstrations against China, encouraged by the government, were taken over by provocateurs (their origin is not clear at this point), who sparked violent riots against foreign-owned industries, not only Chinese, but also Taiwanese, South Korean, and others. Over 400 businesses and industries were destroyed or seriously damaged, and 20 mostly Chinese workers were killed. Thousands of Chinese are now leaving the country, while Taiwan is warning that it will discontinue major projects—including the largest steel mill, port, and energy project in Asia, where the killings took place—if the situation is not resolved.

Taiwan

It is well known that any attempt to pursue the independence of Taiwan would be seen as a justification for the use of military force by Beijing. Peace has been maintained due to the so-called One China policy—both sides agree that Taiwan is part of China, but they agree to disagree over who should rule this united China, leaving the solution to the future.

The relations between Taipei and Beijing have improved under Taiwan's current Guomindang government of Ma Ying-Jeou, but in March a student movement backed by the greenie opposition Democratic Progressive Party and the U.S. NGO-controller and re-



A new escalation against China from the Obama Administration: the indictment of five Chinese military officers on "cyber-warfare" charges. Beijing did not miss the irony, given the NSA's history of worldwide cyber-espionage.

gime-change experts at the National Endowment for Democracy, launched a series of anarchist operations, occupying the Parliament for several weeks demanding a "people's tribunal" to rule on any trade agreements with Beijing.

Other demonstrations and a hunger strike soon thereafter demanded the cancellation of the nearly completed fourth nuclear power plant in Taiwan. The government capitulated to both demands. The situation remains unstable.

Philippines

The Philippines is essentially once again a colony of the United States—or, perhaps it is more accurate to say of the British Empire, with the U.S. playing the part of the dumb giant to the Empire. During Obama's Asia trip in April, Philippine President Noynoy Aquino agreed to an unconstitutional deal with Obama to allow nearly unlimited deployment of U.S. military forces—land, sea and air—across the entire scope of the Philippines islands. This is despite the fact that the Philippines Constitution, since the early 1990s, has forbidden any foreign military bases on its soil. The subterfuge that the U.S. forces are merely "guests" of the Philippines Armed Forces fools no one.

Some foolish Filipinos believe that this deployment is intended to defend the Philippines against "Chinese aggression" over contested islands in the South China Sea, but it is clear to all but the willfully blind that this has only one purpose—to prepare for war with China, a war driven not by squabbles over territory, but by the

FIGURE 1



collapse of the Western financial system. The Philippines, which was turned into the economic basket case of Southeast Asia when the United States orchestrated a coup against its nationalist leader, President Ferdinand Marcos, in 1986, is now set up to be cannon fodder for the British Empire's global thermonuclear war.

Japan

Over the past week, Prime Minister Shinzo Abe announced his intention to proceed with the "reinterpretation" of the Japanese Constitution, adopted in 1947 under the U.S. occupation forces led by Gen. Douglas MacArthur. This "Peace Constitution" renounced the use of war, and was strongly supported by a Japanese nation which had been devastated by the Japanese militarists' war.

Abe's move would have been impossible without the overt support of the Obama Administration. During Obama's visit last month, Obama rejected standing U.S.

policy not to take sides in territorial disputes, and instead pledged the U.S. nuclear umbrella to Japan in the case of any military incident (which could be provoked by any side) over the contested rocks in the East China Sea. He and one of his controllers, National Security Advisor Susan Rice (who earned her doctorate in regime change at Oxford), strongly encouraged Abe to throw out the Peace Constitution and prepare to join the U.S. assault on China, which Abe has now agreed to do.

Korea

Shells were exchanged between North and South Korea on May 21. The actions were largely symbolic on both sides, landing in open waters. Obama failed in his effort to corral South Korea into a U.S.-Japan-South Korea alliance against China and North Korea during his April visit. Not only does South Korea want nothing to do with a confrontation with China, but its leaders also recognize that the only hope for a peaceful solution to the North Korean problem lies not in Obama's threats of war if North Korea doesn't unilaterally give up its nuclear weapons program, but in the joint efforts of Russia, China, and South Korea to give North Korea a stake in peace

by developing rail and pipeline connections from China and Russia, through North Korea, to South Korea.

Sources in Seoul told *EIR* that the historic agreements between Russia and China this past week have encouraged North Korea to come to an accommodation with the South, involving precisely these development policies as a basis for peace. Nonetheless, a crisis in North Korea is still possible at any time, and remains a potential spark for a larger war.

History is leaning toward peace through development, as the China-Russia agreements demonstrate, as does Obama's rapid decline. The British Empire's desperation to force Russia and China to back down to both economic and military threats in Europe and in Asia has failed. The Empire's ability to carry out the threat of war depends on the U.S. military might, deployed by the now rapidly collapsing Obama Administration. Forcing Obama out of office would end that threat, and is both possible and urgent.

Book Review/Interview: Giulio Tremonti

Italy Can Defeat the Euro-Coup and Its ‘International Republic of Money’

by Andrew Spannaus

Bugie e Verità: La Ragione dei Popoli (Lies and Truths: Why the People Are Right)

by Giulio Tremonti Milan, Italy:
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May 21—On May 14, Giulio Sapelli, a well-known Professor of Economic History at the University of Milan, gave an interview to ilsussidiario.net concerning the revelations contained in former Treasury Secretary Tim Geithner’s new book, *Stress Test: Reflections on Financial Crises*. The book contains an important anecdote regarding Italy, recounting how, in 2011, certain European officials asked the Obama Administration to assist in bringing down the government of Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi. For those who are knowledgeable about the events leading to the replacement of the Berlusconi government with that of the Euro-technocrat Mario Monti, such a reference to “officials” can only mean German Chancellor Angela Merkel and then-French President Nicolas Sarkozy.

Sapelli, however, also said something out of the ordinary, which indicates the true level of the political clash which took place at the time: “The Berlusconi government was brought down, but he wasn’t the real enemy; Giulio Tremonti was. He was the man who had to be kicked out.” Sapelli recalls Tremonti’s warnings about Europe’s financial policies before the euro crisis exploded, demonstrated in detail by the documentation subsequently published in Tremonti’s 2012 book, *Emergency Exit*.

Those who follow the battle for the reform of the international financial system know that for years Tremonti



onti has fought for a return to the separation between ordinary banks and speculative banks, based on the Glass-Steagall legislation that had been in place for decades in the United States, and also for new instruments that would provide preferential credit for productive enterprises and large-scale investment in infrastructure, in contrast with the “marketist” (Tremonti’s preferred term for free-market ideologues) vision of what he calls the “International Republic of Money.”

As Italy’s Economics and Finance Minister for a number of times—most recently, from 2008 to 2011—Tremonti led the fight for a new quasi-public bank for Italy’s underdeveloped South, the Mezzogiorno, and refused to provide unconditional public funds to the banking sector during the 2008-09 financial crisis, demanding instead, that the banks commit to lending any public funds they received to small and medium-sized enterprises. Not surprisingly, the big banks refused the offer. After the “soft coup” against the Berlusconi government in 2011, Tremonti introduced draft legislation to separate commercial banks and investment banks, which led to numerous other political forces presenting similar proposals. He filed his bill once again in the current legislature, resulting from the elections in early 2013; he is now an independent Senator.

Italy Was Blackmailed

Of course, since Tremonti spent a number of years as Finance Minister, he is also the subject of considerable criticism from those who consider him in part responsible for the crisis. Now, in his new book, *Lies and Truths*, he presents the details of the euro crisis and its reflections in Italy in recent years, explaining what was

done by both sides—the Italian government and the EU institutions. He then lays out an approach to allow the country to regain its sovereignty and importance at the international level.

The book begins with harsh criticism of the measures taken by the technocrats, starting in the 1990s, and intensified after the 2011 crisis. Essentially, Tremonti says that Italy was blackmailed by the financial markets and the European Central Bank (ECB), not based on an emergency or impending fiscal crisis, but to make it pay for the banking debts of other large countries. Italy's finances were in order, and the pension system had been adequately reformed; it was Germany and France that decided to "save the euro" by having Italy pay the bill.

The clearest example of this is the responsibility for contributions to the bailout funds (the European Stability Mechanism/ESM) used to cover losses at banks that hold high-risk bonds from Greece, Spain, and Ireland. Italy pays 18% of the total, reflecting the relative size of its GDP in Europe, but its actual exposure to these risky securities is much lower, approximately one-tenth that of France and Germany. In this manner, Italy was stuck with a large bill for the bailout to "save" the countries in crisis. The reality, though, is that those funds didn't help the respective countries at all; they went straight to their creditors abroad.

Tremonti writes: "A false catastrophe [was created] ... because today it is clear that it was not Germany and France, with others, who saved Italy, but on the contrary, it was Italy, with others, who saved the overexposed German and French banks."

With pungent observations, the former Economics Minister traces the events of recent years, and argues that Italians suffer through these problems because their politicians—and in particular, the parties which have supported the technocrats—allow, accept, and embrace the impositions from abroad. He concludes that "it is vital to reconstruct our national sovereignty, with the State. Not to isolate ourselves, but rather to regain our rightful place."

In this context, he directly tackles the question of whether Italy should attempt to leave the euro, which is becoming a hot point of debate in the country. Tremonti starts by saying that "leaving the euro is easy to say, but hard to do.... We would need a real government, a strong government." His position is that it would be practically impossible for Italy to do so. Greece wasn't even allowed to leave, so what would happen if Italy tried? What conditions would be imposed for purchases



Italian statesman Giulio Tremonti, former Economy and Finance Minister, an outspoken critic of the "Euro-Coup," told EIR: "Today it is clear that it was not Germany and France, with others, who saved Italy, but on the contrary, it was Italy, with others, who saved the overexposed German and French banks."

from abroad after a devaluation? And given that a fair amount of Italy's public debt is still held abroad, or depends on the EU in some manner, "It would take almost nothing, just an announcement, a trend, to make everything explode. For example, there could be an attack on an Italian bank, maybe leading to the first case of a bail-in, to sow panic among our people."

Italy is fragile, Tremonti writes, and "the 'battle over the euro,' despite being somewhat fascinating in public debate, would have to be carefully prepared, or it would just be romantic, like a Polish cavalry charge against tanks, or ... tragic like an 'act of purity,' like trying to ride a tiger. It may not be pleasant to say it, but this is the reality."

In order to find "an alternative solution to leaving the euro, or a course that prepares us for that action," Tremonti makes a series of proposals, starting with bringing the public debt back into Italian hands, thus removing the tool by which Italy is blackmailed. This is a measure that is "necessary both if we stay in the Euro, and if we were to leave."

Such an objective could be achieved by providing various incentives for purchase in Italy, starting with declaring state bonds "exempt from any current and future taxes." The goal is to "protect ourselves against the force of international speculation," and return to making Ita-

ly's presence felt in Europe, rather than submitting to diktats from other countries. Tremonti lays out actions to be taken to protect and grow the Italian economy, from renegotiating the austerity requirements in the EU's Fiscal Compact and the level of contribution to the bailout fund, to measures for protecting production in Europe and protecting public bonds from speculation.

In terms of specific measures for the Italian economy, Tremonti leads with the following three proposals: 1) the creation of a public bank for the productive economy, "Credit for the Economy," on the model of the German Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau (Reconstruction Finance Corporation); 2) a Glass-Steagall-style separation between commercial banks and investment banks; and 3) the principle that "everything is allowed unless it is specifically prohibited." The goal is to overcome Italian bureaucracy, which stifles economic activity (more on this below).

A Dialogue with Giulio Tremonti

Professor Tremonti agreed to answer some questions from this author on the issues raised in the book, which are presented below. The interview was conducted in Italian, and translated by the author.

EIR: Is it true that individual countries can no longer compete today? [This is a refrain often heard in support of a closer union among European countries.] Most of the world's economic powers grew up as individual countries, although based on cooperation with others as well. Do you see a need for more unification at the European level?

Tremonti: There is a part of history in which Europe was united. It was united by a language and cultural code, Latin, and by very intense forms of economic union: merchants, fairs. Part of our history is that of strong integration; not forced, but natural.

This may be the difference. Our history is one of aggregation, there have been periods of significant aggregation in Europe: the age of the communication routes, the age of merchants, and the age of the Catholic Church, one faith and one language.

This was natural integration. Then there were also phases of forced integration, from Napoleon to the [Third] Reich.

EIR: You often speak of the importance of introducing the principle that "everything is allowed unless

it is specifically prohibited." Why is this needed? How is this different from those who push deregulation?

Tremonti: In Italy the curve of production is inverse to the curve of legislation. When legislation begins to grow, production begins to decrease. It may be a bit of a provocation, but we could say that there wasn't exactly barbarism back in the 1960s.

EIR: You address head-on the question of leaving the euro. How would you respond to those who say that you are too pragmatic, that you aim too low?

Tremonti: First, leaving the euro would be like riding a tiger. As for the radical tendencies, which are not unfounded, the question has to be posed: What government, what national community would sign the new currency? Who would be able to sign it?

Secondly, they wouldn't let us leave. First they would make one of our banks explode.

The fact that we are inside means that we have enormous power. Now, of course, we're in a situation where there is only one bloc of interests. We don't use our power inside the euro. When we tried to do so, the Berlusconi government was overturned.

The Subprime Crisis

Tremonti also discussed at some length, how the subprime loan crisis came to Europe, which he did not go through in the book.

Tremonti: The first subprime securities were those from the U.S., and they affected the banks in Core Europe and the U.K., banks that were in crisis, and thus invested in high-return, high-risk securities.

In 2008 and 2009, the banks of Core Europe and the U.K. failed. Many banks failed and were bailed out with various methods, using EU800 billion in public funds.

The euro was invented in the cold environment of the laboratory. There is nothing more European than Goethe, and nothing more Goethian than Faust: the "winged bills," the pact with the devil. "The winged bills fly higher than fantasy can imagine."

So let's look at what happens. . . .

The winged bills fly to the South, the Southwest, and the Northwest, in an atmosphere of uncontrolled euphoria, EU-phoria. The ECB was not responsible for the oversight of individual banks, but it did have authority and responsibility for systemic oversight.

You could say they didn't have strong powers, but they certainly should have been watching. You will never find a statement in which the ECB points out the critical aspects and the risks of private finance; only public fi-

nance, thus confusing the medicine with the disease. The public budgets were not the cause, but the medicine.

Starting in 2002, the winged bills began to fly to Greece, Spain, Portugal, and Ireland, in various forms, from swimming pools to the Olympics, from Mercedes-Benzes to overbuilding in Spain. (But remember that construction in Spain was not for second homes for people from the north of Europe; it was [for retirement], like in Florida. There were not only apartment buildings, but hospitals as well.)

In Europe, invasions are always from North to South.

When the sovereign debt crisis exploded, this second sort of subprime securities affected the banking and financial system, which had already been hit by the first subprime mortgages.

When a sovereign debt crisis explodes, there are two aspects to remember: first, if the debtor fails, the creditor fails as well; second, losses don't stop at national borders, but arrive directly at the place of incorporation of the creditor banks.

This dimension of the crisis was devastating, because it was enormous in its own right, but it also came on the heels of another crisis. And there were no public funds to be used; they had already been drained. At this point the euro itself went into crisis. The euro system risked a meltdown.

Or better, the crisis of the banks in Core Europe caused the crisis of the euro.

The Euro Crisis

EIR: Why is it that, starting in Autumn 2011 and into 2012, the ECB started printing enormous quantities of money? What took place was a devastating crisis of the euro system, in these terms.

Tremonti: Italy was completely outside of this. I'll give you an example: Let's look at Greece.

Italian banks had potential risk in Greece of about EU20 billion; German and French banks were at risk for EU200 billion. European aid to Greece stayed in Greece for only half an hour—it didn't actually go to Greece.

And the same was true, with different formulas, for Spain and Ireland. Have you ever seen the English help the Irish?

This is the real story. And Italy was completely outside of all of this.

As long as I was [in the government], I never signed for the bank bailout fund. Monti arrived, and the first thing he did was sign.

The fight was over the level of contribution. If it had

remained a fund for saving countries, as in the beginning, then it would have been proper to calculate the contributions based on GDP, and thus 18% for Italy. In terms of saving the banks, though, it would have been only the real percentage of financial risk.

Would the Germans have paid 18% if their exposure was only 5%? This is the real story.

The Trend of 'Marketism'

Lastly, I asked Tremonti about his reference to the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP), the new and somewhat controversial proposed free-trade agreement between the United States and Europe. This is an important issue, because in this period of renewed strategic tensions between the West and Russia, and worries about the increase of China's influence in international affairs, there is likely to be a strong push to consolidate the Western strategic bloc, in part through the new trade agreements currently being negotiated. Some see these agreements as a way to guarantee and increase the cohesiveness of Western democracies, in part to counter a new configuration that could arise involving closer relations between some Western countries and Russia and China.

In my view, I said, the risk is that these agreements will maintain the characteristics of the free-market policies that have dominated the world in recent years; that is, thanks to the rush to pursue a strategic objective, certain very harmful economic assumptions will be maintained.

On the point of economic policy, Tremonti responded as follows:

Tremonti: The trend of marketism is reaching a critical point. Although it has been decisive for the West's strength, now it can produce the opposite effect, as happened with the Roman Empire. What is needed is to reintroduce political rules. The market by itself is no longer the West's strength. Otherwise, we have the International Republic of Money.

Having said this, Tremonti remains convinced of the importance of relying on the Atlantic axis:

Tremonti: If we want to improve the prospects for Europe in general, if we want to restore balance to Europe [to reduce the political hegemony of Germany—ed.], it can only be done on the Atlantic axis.

It cannot be done on the axis of continental energy, of the land powers. Our future is not energy in the East, but civilization in the West. This isn't against anybody, but in the interest of everyone.

New Initiatives for Glass-Steagall

by Claudio Celani

May 25—As the Italian political system is rapidly disintegrating under the destructive impact of the EU-induced austerity, a few forces are pushing for the only policy that could not only reverse that trend, but also force a global change: a reform of the banking system after the Glass-Steagall model.

No fewer than 11 draft bills for banking separation have been filed in the two houses of Parliament, and the Finance and Treasury Committee of the Italian Senate has put a discussion of the Senate bills on its agenda. However, the discussion has been postponed for months now, as the government's populist activism has forced the legislature to discuss its flurry of so-called "reforms."

All of the draft bills, except one, call for strict separation between commercial banks and investment banks, mentioning explicitly the 1933 Glass-Steagall Act. Outstanding among those bills are those filed by Sen. Giulio Tremonti and others, two filed by the Lega Nord party, and one by Sen. Giuseppe Vacciano and 48 Senators from the M5S party. These initiatives occur in the context of an aggressive campaign for restoring Glass-Steagall by Movisol, the LaRouche movement in Italy,

However, the Democratic Party—which rules the government in coalition with the centrist NCD party—has filed its own draft bill which, while paying lip service to the historical Glass-Steagall, adopts the EU regulation of ringfencing and bail-in, and maintains the system of universal banking. This draft is clearly aimed at torpedoing true reform, which does not currently have the votes to pass in the Senate.

Things could change, however, after the European Parliament vote, depending on whether the result substantially differs from the current national

balance of forces. In that case, there might be political consequences and possibly even early general elections.

In this scenario, by the time a new Parliament is in place, the Senate might be called to discuss a new draft bill, which is more advanced than any so far introduced. The new bill was drafted by Tuscany Regional Councilman Gabriele Chiurli, and might be discussed by Parliament thanks to a constitutional rule that allows Regional legislatures to forward draft legislation proposals to the national Parliament. Chiurli, an independent, filed his draft on May 22.

The new bill, unlike all the others, does not delegate the government to write the legislation, but it does specify changes to be introduced to the existing legislation that governs the banking sector. It also has an updated critique and a rejection of the proposed EU regulations. It consists of eight articles.

Article 1 describes the "finalities":

1. "The current law aims at introducing the principle of banking separation, between commercial and investment banks, to the purpose of protecting citizens' savings. Such a purpose can be achieved only through strictly separating the financial activities of deposits and credit related to the real economy from those related to high-risk investments and speculation on national and international markets."

2. "Banking separation also pursues the aim of avoiding the diversion of public funds for the purpose of preventing the failure of credit institutions at taxpayers' expense."

Article 2 changes the 1993 "Single Act on Banking and Credit Laws," which established a national register (charter) for banks, adding to Article 13 that "the Register is divided into two sections, denominated as follows: a) commercial banks; b) investment banks."

Article 3 defines what commercial banks are, and what they are allowed to do: "Commercial banks can offer their customers only low-risk investments, including sovereign bonds and state-participation bonds, on the condition that: a) invested capital is no larger than two-thirds of the total amount deposited in the banking institution itself; b) invested capital is no more than EU250,000.

"It is prohibited for commercial banks: a) to directly



*Tuscany Regional Councilman
Gabriele Chiurli*

or indirectly perform any activity proper to investment banks and more generally to all financial companies that are not authorized to collect deposits from the public; b) own equity or establish agreements of a commercial nature with investment banks, brokerage firms, financial companies that are not authorized to collect deposits among the public.”

Commercial banks “are explicitly obliged to operate in substantial balance between deposit deadlines and use of financial resources.”

Article 4 defines what investment banks are and prohibits any official from an investment bank from having a role in commercial banks, and forbids investment banks to have equity in, or agreements, with commercial banks.

Article 5 says that within one year from the law’s entering into force, currently chartered banks must communicate to the central bank in which part of the National Register they want to be chartered, “having previously resolved incompatibilities as per the current law.”

Article 6 mandates Parliament to draft a “different fiscal treatment for commercial banks and investment banks, aimed at favoring the former, acknowledging their role of fundamental support to the real economy of the country.”

Article 7 establishes a series of sanctions for violations of the law, and **Article 8** is the formal clause that the law comes into force the day after its publication in the *Gazzetta Ufficiale*.

In the introduction, it says that although the discussion on separating banking activities has gone on in all countries, “rules recently introduced at the European level seem to be inadequate and, according to some observers, they reflect an excessive influence from the financial industry, which maintains the possibility of supporting investment banking activities through the commercial/retail sector.

“In fact, by introducing a separation of activities but maintaining at the same time the universal bank model, the door is left open to entanglement between the two sectors. The evidence of this is provided by the fact that the EU law prescribes the use of the so-called bail-in mechanism—the self-bail-out of the crisis-ridden institution, including expropriation of deposits—in case of failure of a universal bank which is considered as ‘systemic,’ putting ‘stability of the system’ before protec-



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Movisol, the LaRouche Movement in Italy, has spurred the drive for a Glass-Steagall law, in its organizing across the country. Here, the sign (“Separate the Banks”) is located on Leonardo da Vinci’s canal in Cesenatico, on the Adriatic Sea.

tion of savings. It goes so far as to establish that in the resolution, speculative debts—in the first place financial derivative contracts—enjoy protection if this is necessary for the stability of the system.

“In other words: the payment of derivatives, including ‘toxic products,’ is guaranteed, if that is determined to be necessary to maintain the stability of the system, even if depositors are damaged. All this represents exactly the opposite of the principle historically established by the Glass-Steagall Act and eventually adopted by all civilized countries.”

The draft bill will now be discussed in a committee of the Tuscany Regional Council, and will eventually go to the floor for debate and a vote. If approved, it will automatically be forwarded to the Chamber of Deputies and the Senate, and will undergo the usual procedure to become national law.

“In case this goes wrong at any stage, we . . . will not surrender: we are ready to take to the street and collect the necessary signatures to introduce the draft bill as a Law of Popular Initiative,” says Councilman Chiurli on the website of his movement, *Democrazia Diretta*.

It is expected that other Regional legislators will follow Chiurli’s example (indeed, four Regional Councils have already approved a Glass-Steagall resolution (Tuscany, Lombardy, Veneto, and Piedmont), adding to the grassroots pressure on national legislators.

Ukraine Election: Now Mayhem, EU Rule

May 27—Petro Poroshenko, the candy manufacturer elected President of Ukraine on May 25, throughout his career as funder of the Orange Revolution, Central Bank official, Foreign Minister, and National Security Council Secretary under President Victor Yushchenko, Economics Minister under President Victor Yanukovich, and financial backer of the 2013-14 Euro-maidan, has followed the British/Obama-USA/EU agenda of wrecking Ukraine's economy, and confronting Russia. The continuation of this posture is evident in Poroshenko's own statements, and the actions of interim government officials, who continue to exercise power until Poroshenko's inauguration planned for June 8 or 10.

Most blatant are the decisions announced by Prime Minister Arkadi "Yats" Yatsenyuk at today's first meeting of the Cabinet after the Presidential elections. Yats pushed through a decision to institute, within each government ministry and agency, the post of "Deputy Minister for Eurointegration." In a related decision, the government resolved to have one direct representative of the European Union, a "specialist" in the relevant area, on site within each ministry and agency, "to help Ukraine implement its agreements with the EU and bring us closer to the European Union and to European standards."

Thus, as much of Europe rises up against the EU bankers' dictatorship, Ukraine's coup-installed authorities are turning the country over to that same EU.

At the same time, Kiev has sharply escalated military actions in eastern Ukraine, the Donbass. Poroshenko, after his first-round victory (with whole swathes of the electorate in the east either unable or unwilling to vote at all), declared that the so-called anti-terrorist operation (ATO) to wipe out the pro-federalization or independence forces in the southeast will escalate. He said that the ATO should succeed, not over a period of months, but in a matter of hours.

Accordingly, overnight on May 26, and into today, Ukrainian Army forces blasted the city of Donetsk, capital of the Donetsk Region and the major city, with a population of over 1 million, in the Donets Basin

(Donbass) as a whole. There was heavy fighting around the main train station in Donetsk. Then Ukrainian Army helicopters attacked the airport, which had been held by forces of the self-proclaimed Donets People's Republic (DPR). Dozens, if not hundreds, of militia members have been killed, as well as civilians. Major hits included an attack on an ambulance that killed 20 or 30 people, and arson against the city's soccer arena.

Both DPR head Denis Pushilin and Internal Affairs Minister Arseni Avakov claimed today to have control of the airport. The Foreign Ministry issued a foaming denunciation of "the Kremlin" as the cause of any and all fighting in the region, citing an alleged incursion attempt last night by 40 vehicles full of armed men, coming from Russia.

'There Is a Real War Going On'

Russian President Vladimir Putin discussed the escalating crisis in the Donbass, during a phone call today with Italian Prime Minister Matteo Renzi. After expressing condolences for the death of an Italian journalist killed near Slavyansk, Putin "stressed the need to immediately stop the punitive operation conducted by the army in the southeastern regions of Ukraine and establish peaceful dialogue between Kiev and representatives of the regions," according to the Kremlin.

Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov, during a press conference after talks with his visiting counterpart from Turkey, also addressed the escalating crisis. He noted that Poroshenko has announced that his first trip after his inauguration will be to the Donbass, where "there is a real war going on." Lavrov continued, "He himself says that the 'ATO' should be finished rapidly through its intensification. If the plan is for the Army, using heavy weapons, the National Guard, Right Sector, and the like to crush the resistance in the Donbass before the expected inauguration of P.A. Poroshenko, so that he can arrive in the Donbass as a victor, this is not exactly the way to create good conditions for a hospitable reception in the Donetsk Region."

Lavrov called for an immediate halt to military action and implementation of the Geneva agreements of April 17, as well as honest investigations of the numerous, horrific mass killings in the southeast (Odessa, Mariupol, and elsewhere), involving Kiev forces as well as private armies that have been springing up.

No Avoiding a New Bank Crash Without Glass-Steagall Act

by Paul Gallagher

May 26—Because of the extraordinary issuance of productive national credit by China since the 2007-08 financial crash, and the direction of huge amounts of that credit into new economic infrastructure, the trans-Atlantic nations can only watch and complain as China and Russia begin to exchange that credit for development projects and growth. A typically outraged complaint was published in *Fortune* May 23 by former Reagan White House official David Stockman, who fumed that China had issued many trillions in credit based on its \$4 trillion in foreign reserves, and was “literally printing GDP,” because “as the currency goes down, airports, high-speed railroads, highways, dams, housing construction come up.”

Growth in the OECD countries, by contrast, was calculated in a recent presentation by a former Obama Administration economist as an 11% increase in GDP, total, over the past six years combined. The United States and EU member-states are priding themselves on whether they have managed to reach the same number of people employed in their economies as they had seven years ago—at significantly lower real wages and household incomes. Their governments have not invested in major infrastructure platforms in decades; their biggest banks lend less every year.

The central banks of the United States, Europe, and Japan have also, of course, issued trillions in new currency and liquidity credits since 2009, most famously in the “quantitative easing” policies of the Federal Reserve, Bank of England, and Bank of Japan. But this

currency has been issued exclusively to banks—large banks, “too big to fail”—and those banks have deployed it in ways designed to puff up the securities markets and avoid the real economy like a plague. The central banks are not only aware of this; they have carried out “excess bank reserve”-creating policies which have ensured that big banks’ lending to the real economy has fallen, even as they pumped up stock and securities markets, derivatives markets, etc.

The U.S. and European economies are headed for another, worse bank crash unless they break up their biggest banks by restoring the Glass-Steagall Act or (in Europe) enacting it. So far, with Wall Street and London banks threatening and bribing to stop Glass-Steagall, the trans-Atlantic governments and “regulators” have instead adopted a scheme called “bank bail-in” which combines the worst features of taxpayer bailouts, with deadly austerity and outright confiscation of wealth from the public to “capitalize” bankrupt banks.

Enacting Glass-Steagall is the only way to break this depressive cycle before another crash. Doing so may wipe out, quickly, \$5 trillion or more in ultra-short-term, collateralized, and leveraged financial sector debt, and bring down Wall Street and London securities firms, but it will open the door to national credit and growth.

Ironically, former OMB Director Stockman strongly supports restoring the Glass-Steagall Act, on the evidence of his public speeches and interviews. But his knee-jerk opposition to the national credit and investment policies which must necessarily *follow* Glass-Steagall

gall separation in “the American System of economics,” shows him a victim of Wall Street bank “economics” and influence. The same keeps many Republicans from sponsoring the Glass-Steagall legislation, which they instinctively recognize as the right and necessary action to take against too-big-to-fail bank bailouts.

Sane Observers See Crash Threat

The situation is worst in the EU, where some of the most leveraged and most London-dominated banks like Deutsche Bank, Barclays, and HSBC are now losing money, laying off large numbers of employees, and scrambling to raise capital. Former Bank for International Settlements (BIS) chief economist William White saw a bank crash coming in an interview published April 24 by the Swiss financial paper *Finanz und Wirtschaft*, headlined “I See the Same Price Bubbles as in 2007.”

White said, “No one has ever seen anything like this. Not even during the Great Depression in the Thirties has monetary policy been this loose.” He told *Finanz und Wirtschaft* that the fundamental problem is debt, not government, but rather private debt, held by banks and other financial institutions which is non-performing and/or impaired. It is being “evergreened” [extended at full book value] by the banks, White said, with the aid of the central banks’ money-printing. That debt has to be written off, and it is governments’ responsibility to act, not that of central banks. “Central banks can’t rescue insolvent institutions,” White says. Asked if massive write-offs won’t further hurt the bank sector, he agrees. “But you see, we have a lot of zombie companies and banks out there. That’s a particular worry in Europe, where the banking sector is just a continuous story of denial, denial, and denial. With interest rates so low, banks just keep evergreening everything, pretending all the money is still there. But the more you do that, the more you keep the zombies alive, they pull down the healthy parts of the economy.”

“It all looks and feels like 2007,” White concluded. “And frankly, I think it’s worse than 2007.”

In the United States, companies are flooded with debt and failing to invest, courtesy of the money-printing policy of the Federal Reserve, wrote *Washington Post* financial columnist Steven Pearlstein in a May 11 column full of striking figures.

U.S. non-financial corporations have taken on \$3.4 trillion in additional debt since 2009. This, in itself, is no extraordinary amount—in fact, total bank lending fell steadily during most of that period—but what they

borrowed it for, is extraordinary. Fully 87% of it, reported Pearlstein, has been used by the corporations for buybacks of their own stock, and to issue dividends to shareholders. Both are part of a strategy of driving up stock prices, without making real capital investments. In 2013, non-financial corporations spent about \$500 billion on buybacks alone, the most since “the peak year of 2007” and 130% more than their fixed capital expenditures for the year.

Pearlstein noted that the Wall Street banks are using the money printed for them by the Fed’s quantitative easing (QE), to fund this stock market debt bubble, which is equal in size to that other creation of QE, the “emerging market carry trade bubble.” Non-financial corporations’ cash/debt ratio has dropped to 40%, some 17% less than in 2007. Thus, despite the conventional financial wisdom which is repeated *ad nauseam*, companies are not “sitting on trillions in cash,” “keeping it on the sidelines,” etc. Rather, they are sitting on mountains of Fed-created QE debt. American households may have been forced to “deleverage,” reducing their debt by a combination of defaulting and paying it off as their living standards sink; but the corporate “leveraged debt” and “junk-bond debt” bubbles are larger than they were just before the crash.

“This is why the U.S. economy remains stuck in second gear,” is Pearlstein’s quite-understated conclusion.

FDIC Vice-Chairman Thomas Hoenig, who has advocated restoring the Glass-Steagall principles of bank regulation, was explicit about the big banks’ threat to crash in a May 7 speech to the Boston Economics Club. Calling his presentation “Can We End Financial Bailouts?” Hoenig answered, essentially, “No, we can’t, because Congress hasn’t separated the banks with Glass-Steagall.” He bluntly cleared away much of the hype about Dodd-Frank and the changes which many people credulously believe it has imposed on the big banks.

On those big banks, he said they are larger, more complicated, and more interconnected than in the 2007-08 crash. The eight largest banks’ assets equal 65% of GDP. Their *average* derivatives exposure of \$60 trillion is 30% larger than in 2007. They are also more complex. “They have used the safety net subsidy to support their expansion across the globe. They have further combined commercial, investment banking, and broker-dealer activities. There have been no fundamental changes in the wholesale funding markets, in the reliance of bank-like money market funds, or in the use of

repos, which all are major sources of volatility in times of financial stress.”

And they are also still wildly overleveraged, Hoenig said, with an average leverage ratio for the biggest eight of 22:1, despite the hyping of all the capital increases they have supposedly made.

Bail-in, Hoenig said, is bail-out of derivatives counterparties (“qualified financial creditors”). “Under Title II, unlike in bankruptcy [Title I], the Treasury is empowered to fund short-term creditors who, for example, would avoid becoming general [unsecured] creditors as they exit at the firm’s operating units—the broker dealers, insurance companies, finance companies, trading companies that remain open. This only serves to perpetuate too big to fail.” This is why the big banks *want* Title II, bail-in, he said.

Hoenig concluded by criticizing Congress for leaving the massive problem to the regulators: “To be sure, having regulatory agencies rather than legislators define the nation’s financial structure and business activities is less than ideal. In the end, legislating the separation of highly subsidized commercial banks from non-bank trading and similar activities might be the better choice.”

Bring Down Wall Street

For Wall Street, it is a bitter choice. The legislation they are most determined to defeat, with threats and massive lobbying funds, is the reinstatement of Glass-Steagall, especially the 21st Century Glass-Steagall Act introduced into the U.S. Senate by Sens. Elizabeth Warren, John McCain, Maria Cantwell, and Angus King—two Democrats, a Republican and an Independent—and co-sponsored by seven others.

Speaking May 23 at a Washington conference, Senator Warren did not mention her legislation until prompted by *EIR* representatives during the question period to “talk about Glass-Steagall.” She then gave a strong seven-minute argument for the necessity of Glass-Steagall, which provoked a standing ovation by the audience of 250.

Warren said of the gradual elimination of Glass-Steagall from the late 1980s, ending in its repeal in 1999, that “This is what created ‘too big to fail’” and “anything goes in banking,” and that those banking conglomerates are now “38% bigger than when the government bailed them out unconditionally in 2008.” They have, in addition, committed serious financial crimes, without punishment.

She described the 21st Century Glass-Steagall Act

(S. 1282): “First, it will break these biggest banks up, and it is really only the biggest Wall Street banks that will be affected by this; and second, it will make the large, insured deposit-banking units use their resources on economic lending, otherwise, no support.” Ridiculing President Obama’s and former Treasury Secretary Tim Geithner’s “bailouts with no conditions,” Warren recalled that she had taught bankruptcy law: When new money is put into a firm in bankruptcy, “the stockholders get wiped out; the bondholders take a haircut; the top management is removed, and may be prosecuted.”

“The big Wall Street financial firms,” said Warren, “don’t like this Glass-Steagall legislation,” and there are money pressure and threats to stop it. She concluded: “What kind of a country do we want to work for? What kind of a future do we want to have? Do we want to work for Wall Street banks, to make them even bigger? Or, do we want to work for our children and grandchildren, to have a fighting chance?”

The choice of futures is immediate: Either we bring Wall Street down now, with its even more potent progenitor, the City of London, or another and more devastating financial and economic crash will be on us soon.

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—Lyndon LaRouche, Feb. 11, 2013

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Rogers Points to the Future, While Texas Democrats Crash

by Harley Schlanger

May 28—At the end of an intense five-month campaign, LaRouche Democrat Kesha Rogers told participants at her victory party on election night that their activity has changed the world.

“My U.S. Senate campaign was not about an election, she said, but about a mission, of giving the United States a future. We defied the odds by getting into the runoff, and we ran a campaign in which we told the truth about the existential crises facing the nation, and the enormous potential for the future, once we defeat the Anglo-Dutch Empire and impeach its puppet, Obama. We made this the issue, and in the end, nearly 3 in 10 Democrats who voted in the runoff responded to my call for his impeachment.”

“We proved, by running my campaign this way, that a growing minority of voters



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Following an election campaign that Texans will long remember, Kesha Rogers announced at her victory party, that the campaign proved that a growing minority of voters will respond to “big ideas.”

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Rogers highlighted some of the events which demonstrated that potential. She spoke of how she had been moved by meeting with veterans, whose initial skepticism about her, and politics in general, changed dramatically, into supportive emotional outbursts, as they were inspired by her appeal to their higher qualities of patriotism over parties. She recalled this same quality of response throughout the campaign, as she addressed desperate people, suffering under the worsening effects of the economic blowout of 2008, who have become demoralized about their present circumstances, and unable to even think about the future.

“What they are looking for is leadership that can create optimism about the future. What we initiated with this campaign,” she con-

cluded, “did not end tonight. We have proven that the spirit of the Kennedy years can still be tapped, and that the desire for scientific and technological progress inspires real hope for a better future. I will not stop fighting for that,” she said.

Change in Texas Politics

Unofficial results posted by the Texas Board of Elections this morning credit Rogers with 27.45%, about 51,500 votes. But the numbers don’t tell the real story of this contest.

By election day, the Rogers campaign had completely broken out of the pathetic efforts of LaRouche-haters among Democratic Party officials to contain it. Democratic Party hacks worked overtime on Memorial Day weekend, to try to put it back into a box. A number of state and county Democratic Party officials retailed the same old anti-LaRouche slanders, in a spate of e-mails and mailings, while their chosen loser, Rogers’ opponent David Alameel, was stumbling incoherently through several interviews, convincing no one of anything.

Leading party officials who were supporting Rogers reported that the Obama defenders backing Alameel had nothing left but threats of exclusion, vote fraud, and voter suppression, to deploy against Rogers. One official said that the anti-Rogers operatives were shocked by the low level of early voting, as Alameel’s backers were depending on a well-funded, large, early voting turnout, including mail-in/absentee ballots, to achieve a margin of victory. Even in counties with proven vote-fraud capabilities—as in the Rio Grande Valley fiefdom of party chair Gilberto Hinojosa—the numbers of early ballots cast fell far below their expectations.

One party insider added that Rogers is running an insurgency, based on what used to be the best tradition of Texas Democrats—their anti-Wall Street views, which included the belief that government must work for the interests of the people, not for mega-corporate interests. This insurgency will ultimately succeed, despite what happens on May 27, he said, because voters who are now leaving the Democratic Party in Texas will soon discover that the Republicans are anti-government, pro-austerity fascists, and they will come back to the Democrats—“provided that the ideas of Rogers and her co-thinkers take over the party.”

This view was reflected in many comments in the media in the last days of the campaign, typified by Rice University political science professor Mark P. Jones, who told the *Washington Post* that, whatever happens

in the election, “I would expect that we will be seeing more of Kesha Rogers in the future.”

Texas Dems Self-Destruct

David Alameel’s victory over Rogers in the runoff is the classic Pyrrhic victory. What he did to win the election—spending \$5 million (or more) to run a negative campaign of lies and slanders against Rogers, targeting only likely loyal, pro-Obama Democrats, while doing nothing to bring the mass of demoralized voters into a dialogue on matters of principle—suppressed the vote total to a recent historic low. While over 750,000 votes were cast statewide in the Republican runoff for Lt. Governor, fewer than 190,000 voters cast ballots in the Democratic runoff. With 13 million-plus registered voters in Texas, the turnout in the Democratic Party runoff was approximately 1.37%—hardly an indication that loyally sticking with Obama is a winning strategy in Texas!

While Rogers’ more than 51,000 votes represent a hard-core developing constituency, Alameel’s millions of dollars in personal campaign contributions could only bring out 136,000 voters. It is not just that he is a flawed candidate, but that the party strategy is self-defeating. It is well-known that the Wall Street-controlled party apparatus has no intent of seriously challenging incumbent Republican Sen. John Cornyn.

Lyndon LaRouche warned Texas Democrats, in an historic address to the state party convention in San Antonio in 1980, that the rejection of a scientific, pro-growth orientation, to be replaced by a Wall Street-ordered commitment to free trade, deregulation, and greenie environmentalism, would doom the party. His warning was prophetic. Kesha Rogers, in her 2014 race for U.S. Senate, took up the challenge posed by LaRouche, to rebuild the party based on a return to the principles of the American System, embodied in Franklin D. Roosevelt’s New Deal and John F. Kennedy’s New Frontier.

In the course of the campaign, Rogers drew support from a broad spectrum of Democratic voters, and those who had left the party in disgust with its Wall Street program. Support came from African-Americans who know Obama has followed the Bush-Cheney path, to Hispanics who know Obama as the “Deporter in Chief,” to largely white farmers and so-called Tea Party activists—all eager to hear how the existential crisis of the country can be solved.

As Rogers emphasized on election night, this fight will continue, and we will win it!

Will House Committee Finally Get to the Truth about Benghazi?

by William F. Wertz, Jr.

May 21—Now that House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi has appointed five Democrats to the newly established House Select Committee to Investigate Benghazi—there are seven Republicans, including the chairman—the issue posed for both Republicans and Democrats is whether they will actually pursue the truth. Some in the GOP have been intent on using the investigation for partisan electoral reasons, focussing blame on Hillary Clinton, who was Secretary of State at the time of the Sept. 11, 2012 terrorist assault on the U.S. compound in Benghazi. At the same time, while Democrats insist that they are committed to finding the truth about the attack, which killed four Americans, they have engaged in an attempt to cover for President Obama's complicity.

Some Democrats have argued that Benghazi has been investigated enough and that there are no unanswered questions.¹ Some have even compared the Select Committee to a “lynch mob.”

As a result, the truth has been the primary victim of the investigations conducted thus far.

Questions To Be Answered

The crucial questions have never been addressed in any of the reports issued by numerous Congressional committees:

- Did Obama violate the U.S. Constitution by waging war against Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi without Congressional approval?
- Why did Obama ally with the al-Qaeda-affiliated Libyan Islamic Fighting Group (LIFG) and the Muslim

Brotherhood to overthrow Qaddafi, when Qaddafi was working with the U.S. to fight al-Qaeda?

- What was the purpose of the CIA annex in Benghazi? Was it involved in running guns to the Syrian opposition?

In a hacked e-mail, dated Feb. 16, 2013, to Hillary Clinton, Sidney Blumenthal, a former aide to President Bill Clinton, asked if “wealthy Sunni Islamists from Saudi Arabia” had funded the al-Qaeda assault on the Benghazi mission and annex. According to that e-mail, French, Algerian, and Libyan intelligence agencies are aware of the reported Saudi funding. Has any committee ever contacted them?

Indeed, the matter goes beyond Benghazi, as the Saudis are believed to have funded the original 9/11/2001 attacks on the United States.

- Did Obama violate international law by approving the shipment of weapons from Qatar and the UAE to the opposition in Libya, in violation of the UN embargo, as reported by a UN panel of experts?

- Did Obama violate international law by shipping weapons to Syria from Libya in collaboration with Saudi Arabia, Qatar, and Turkey? Was the U.S. company Jeppesen subcontracted by the Obama Administration for this purpose?

- Why was the Benghazi airport put under the control of Turkey before and after the overthrow of Qaddafi, as reported by the Turkish press? Was Turkish control of the Benghazi airport used to facilitate arms shipments?

- Which agencies of the U.S. government knew about the video produced by the head of al-Qaeda, Ayman al-Zawahiri, released on Sept. 10, 2012, calling on Libyans to exact revenge against Americans for the drone killing of al Yahya al-Libi in Pakistan in June 2012. When did they know about it? Whom did they tell? Why has no committee which has investigated Benghazi mentioned this video?

- What was the role of CIA Director John Brennan in Libya? Brennan made the decision along with Obama to kill al-Yahya al-Libi; as assistant to the President for Homeland Security and Counterterrorism, he was the person responsible for reviewing security measures in place prior to the 11th anniversary of Sept. 11, 2001, and as head of the National Security Staff (NSS), he was involved in approving the final version of the talking points that administration officials used, such as National Security Advisor Susan Rice on five Sunday morning talk shows following the Benghazi atrocity. As

1. While several House committees, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, and the State Department Accountability Review Board have issued reports on Benghazi, they have skirted or ignored key questions of policy. LaRouchePAC has issued several Fact Sheets detailing what questions should be asked, all of which have circulated widely in Congress.

Gen. David Petraeus pointed out, the final version was “the NSS’s call.”

Impeachable?

No Democrat or Republican can argue that these questions are illegitimate. No Democrat or Republican can argue that these questions have been answered.

The answers to these and similar questions will decide whether Obama is impeachable or not.

If the truth is pursued, and the answers show that Obama should be impeached, then the issue becomes: Is there a Howard Baker in the Democratic Party (the Republican Senate Majority Leader who offered President Nixon the option of resigning or being impeached)? For example, would Elijah Cummings (Md.), the senior Democrat assigned to the committee, be willing to play such a role? Would he have the courage to buck all of the pressure that is placed on him to defend Obama, no matter what?

Cummings has stated: “I believe we need someone in the room to simply defend the truth.” The fact is that the truth must be pursued and discovered before it can be defended—the whole truth. And until answers are

presented to the American people to the above questions, they will not know the whole truth.

The Democrats who will be joining the committee, which is scheduled to hold its first meeting, a planning session, on May 22, in addition to Cummings, are Adam Smith (Wash.), Adam Schiff (Calif.), Linda Sanchez (Calif.), and Tammy Duckworth (Ill.) Smith, Schiff, and Duckworth have responsibilities related to defense and foreign service as part of their other committee assignments.

Rep. Trey Gowdy, who is the chairman of the committee said today: “The Republican members of the committee welcome our colleagues. I respect Mr. Cummings and his work in Congress. I look forward to working with him and the members of the committee toward an investigation and a process worthy of the American people and the four brave Americans who lost their lives.”

In addition to Gowdy, the GOP members of the committee are Reps. Susan W. Brooks (Ind.); Jim Jordan (Ohio); Mike Pompeo (Kansas); Martha Roby (Ala.); Peter Roskam (Ill.); and Lynn Westmoreland (Ga.).

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Impeachable Obama 'Channels Cheney'

May 26—Under the headline “Obama Admin. Channels Cheney, Claims Unlimited War Powers,” the *Daily Beast* reported on the May 21 hearing of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, stating accurately, that two Obama Administration lawyers had told the committee that Obama does not need Congressional authorization to wage war on any terrorists he wants to attack. As Obama has already shown in the case of his attack on the sovereign nation of Libya, and in his threatened attack on another sovereign nation, Syria, he also thinks he doesn’t need the U.S. Constitution, which gives to Congress the exclusive power to declare war.

Although Democrats vigorously protested this Cheneyac “unitary executive” view of unfettered presidential war powers when asserted by the Bush-Cheney Administration, for the most part, they have applauded the same policy when carried out by a supposedly Democratic President. Lawyers who were outspoken in their opposition to Bush and Cheney now become fervid advocates of Obama’s kill-’em-all policy, as shown by now-former Obama State Department legal advisor Harold Koh, who also testified at the May 21 hearing. Or as demonstrated by the Senate Democrats’ confirmation of David Barron—author of the Justice Department memo justifying the extra-judicial execution of an American citizen by drone strike—for a lifetime seat on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 1st Circuit.

But now, as indicated by the frustration expressed by both Democrats and Republicans at the May 21 hearing, Obama’s Cheney-Bush imitation may be wearing a bit thin.

‘We Don’t Need No Stinkin’ AUMF’

From *EIR*’s review of the hearing on “The Authorization for Use of Military Force After Iraq and Afghanistan” (AUMF), the *Daily Beast* account is not exaggerated in the least. Mary McLeod, the State Department’s Principal Deputy Legal Advisor, explicitly stated that the President could continue to conduct counter-terrorism operations today even if the present AUMF, issued in 2001, were repealed.

That AUMF, passed by Congress in the wake of the 9/11 attacks, authorized the President to use all necessary and appropriate military force against nations, organizations, or persons deemed to have planned, authorized, carried out, or aided, the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks on the United States, or to have harbored such organizations or persons. Today, almost 13 years later, President Obama, as did Bush and Cheney before him, uses the 2001 AUMF to conduct military raids and drone strikes around the world—most notably, in Yemen and Somalia—under the Executive branch’s interpretation of the 2001 AUMF as authorizing the use of force against al-Qaeda, the Taliban, and “associated forces.” (The fraud of the Bush-Obama “counter-terrorism” policy is most obvious in the continued protection of Saudi Arabia, the leading state sponsor of the 9/11 attacks and terrorism around the world today—as *EIR* has documented extensively.)¹

At the hearing, McLeod stated, in response to questioning by committee chairman Sen. Bob Menendez (D-N.J.), that the President’s “authority to act in self-defense doesn’t depend on the existence of an AUMF,” claiming that the President has all the authority he needs under Article II of the Constitution to use military force against anyone who poses an “imminent threat” of an armed attack on the United States. (As has been seen in the Obama Administration’s drone killing memos, the concept of “imminent” has been stretched beyond all recognition.)

Sen. Bob Corker (R-Tenn.), the Ranking Member, pressed McLeod, saying that he understood her to be saying that the President needs no authorization from Congress to conduct counter-terrorism activities around the world. “If the 2001 AUMF was undone, can the President carry out the activities that he’s carrying out right now?” Corker asked. McLeod’s answer was, “Yes, I believe he could.” When Corker said, “So it sounds to me like we’re pretty irrelevant to the process from the Administration standpoint,” McLeod protested that this wasn’t true, because the Administration has “consulted” Congress.

Stephen Preston, the Defense Department’s General Counsel, was more explicit: “I am not aware of any foreign terrorist group that presents a threat against this country that the President lacks authority to defend against, simply because they have not been determined

1. See, for example, “Charles of Arabia: The British Monarchy, Saudi Arabia, and 9/11,” *EIR*, May 23, 2014.

to be an ‘associated force’ within the AUMF.” If the group “presents a threat of violent attack to this country, Preston continued, the President does have authority to take action—including military action—to protect the country from that threat.”

Menendez then summarized Preston’s testimony as stating that “there’s no reason why the Administration would oppose the repeal of the 9/11 AUMF totally, because you basically say the President has all the authorities [he needs], notwithstanding the AUMF.” As Preston kept declaring that the Administration wants to “engage” with Congress on the future of war powers, a baffled Sen. Tim Kaine (D-Va.) told Preston that “you say ‘looking forward’ to engaging ... this is what engaging is ... that’s why we’re here.”

When the Administration spokesmen declined to say whether the Constitution’s Article II powers would allow the President to wage a war against a sovereign state that harbored a terrorist group, without explicit authorization from Congress, Sen. Chris Murphy (D-Conn.) said that he would like to have a clear indication that if a sovereign nation does not pose an imminent threat, that the Executive would have to come to Congress for authorization to attack that nation. Murphy stressed that both the Congress and the Executive are subject to Article I of the Constitution, which gives Congress the specific power to declare war and to raise armies, and he pointedly asked the Administration’s lawyers, “what is left in Article I if we understand the broad rendering of Article II powers that you’ve explained today?”

As the *Daily Beast*’s Eli Lake appropriately put it in his report: “Both McLeod and Preston said that the Constitution’s Article II gives the President all the authority he needs to take military action against any threat that he considers to be imminent. This was also the view of David Addington, the chief counsel to Vice President Cheney, who argued that the Constitution’s inherent wartime powers granted to the President authorized the detention, interrogation, capture and lethal strikes that comprised the war on terror after 9/11.”

Detain ‘em, or Kill ‘em?

Much of the post-hearing discussion on legal blogs, such as the center-right *Lawfare* blog, focused on the hearing’s second panel, where Koh presented testimony which appeared to unofficially reflect Obama’s view;

Koh stated, as had the previous witnesses, that Obama could continue to do everything he is now doing, even were the AUMF repealed. However, he noted, it might affect the Administration’s ability to hold prisoners at Guantanamo, since they are considered unlawful belligerents under the 2001 AUMF—but, he hastened to add, they might still be detainable under U.S. criminal anti-terrorism laws, which has been Obama’s position all along.

Jack Goldsmith, who headed the Bush-Cheney Justice Department’s Office of Legal Counsel, said he was “heartened” by Koh’s testimony, in which Koh also said that the AUMF is unnecessary because of the President’s Article II powers. Goldsmith summarized the hearing testimony as follows: “Reliance on Article II, while it potentially narrows the President’s detention powers, at the same time, unmoors the President’s power to use force from the already broad language of the AUMF and rests that power on Article II alone, which allows the use of force, in the absence of Congressional authorization, against an even broader array of threats.”

Unmentioned in most of the discussion, is the dirty secret that Obama doesn’t much care about detention authority and Guantanamo. His policy is not to capture and detain, but to *kill*. Why bother putting a terrorist “suspect” through due process, including a potential trial, when whacking him with a drone strike is so much simpler?

Drone-war expert Micah Zenko, writing on foreign-policy.com on May 22, said that since September 2011, the U.S. has conducted an estimated 187 drone strikes killing an estimated 925 people, including 85 civilians. But over that same time period, there have been only three (!) known captures.

As *Newsweek* reporter Daniel Klaidman pointed out in his 2012 book *Kill or Capture*, by the end of 2009, Obama had already authorized more drone strikes than had Bush during the eight years of his Presidency. By his third year in office, Obama had approved killing twice as many suspected terrorists, as had ever been imprisoned at Guantanamo.

The Constitution’s allocation of war powers to Congress, or its requirement of due process for the killing of an American citizen, are matters of indifference for Obama. That’s the real lesson of the current AUMF debate, and compelling reason for his immediate impeachment.

Obama's IRS Scandal Is Heating Up

by George Canning

May 27—Informed sources in the Washington, D.C. intelligence community have told *EIR* that there is a renewed push, and considerable potential as an impeachment issue, behind the investigation of the Obama Administration for the Internal Revenue Service's subjecting conservative groups seeking tax exemption to special and invasive attention. President Richard Nixon's attempts to use the IRS for political targeting comprised a significant element of the Articles of Impeachment voted up against him by the House Judiciary Committee in 1974.

On May 7, the House of Representatives passed two resolutions on the issue of the IRS. First, was a resolution recommending that the House find Lois Lerner, the former IRS Director of Exempt Organizations, in contempt of Congress for refusal to comply with the House Oversight Committee's subpoena for testimony. Lerner attended the Committee hearing, and after giving a statement proclaiming her innocence of any wrongdoing, asserted her Fifth Amendment privilege against self-incrimination to all the Committee's questions. Months later, it was revealed that Lerner had, *prior* to the Committee hearing, given a full interview on the matter to Justice Department investigators, without a grant of immunity. The contempt resolution was voted up on a near party-line vote of 231-187.

The second resolution was for the House to request Attorney General Eric Holder to appoint a special counsel to investigate the allegations about the IRS. That passed 250-168, this time with the support of 26 Democrats.

House Speaker John Boehner, the next day, certified to the U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia Lerner's refusal to provide testimony before the Oversight and Government Reform Committee, for action on the contempt citation. This is unlikely to move ahead, just as the contempt citation against AG Holder himself went nowhere.

But the resolution for the Special Counsel has the potential to become a fighting issue.

In a May 16 statement posted on his website, and published in various newspapers in his district, entitled "Seeking an Independent IRS Investigation," House Judiciary Committee Chairman Bob Goodlatte (R-Va.) denounced the Administration's obstruction of the investigation (including Holder's having named "a loyal donor of President Obama's campaign to spearhead the investigation" of the scandal). Goodlatte explained, "Under current law, the Attorney General is required to appoint a Special Counsel when he or she determines that the criminal investigation of a person or matter is warranted. Specifically, the Attorney General is required to appoint a Special Counsel when the investigation or prosecution would present a conflict of interest for the [Justice] Department, and when under the circumstances it would be in the public interest to appoint an outside Special Counsel to assume responsibility for the matter. In this case, a Special Counsel is needed so that Americans can be confident of the process and the conclusions reached by the investigators."

Goodlatte was referring to the fact that Holder has appointed Barbara Bosserman, a Justice Department trial attorney who donated at least \$6,750 to Obama's campaigns and the Democratic National Committee, to lead the DOJ/FBI investigation of the IRS.

New Revelations

On May 14, Judicial Watch announced it had received an FOIA release of Internal Revenue Service documents regarding the IRS's handling of Tea Party exemption applications. Judicial Watch and others who have reviewed the documents assert that they demonstrate two important things. As summarized by Main Street.com, they show "that the IRS Tea Party scrutiny was directed out of Washington, D.C. Previously, IRS officials testified this inappropriate and possibly illegal inspection of Tea Party groups was done by a rogue office based in Cincinnati. The documents are also said to show that Senator Carl Levin (D-Mich.), and others in Congress, were pressuring the IRS about alleged political activities of conservative-leaning tax-exempt organizations."

Meanwhile, the *Wall Street Journal* and MSNBC reported on May 20, that House Oversight Committee Chairman Darrell Issa has issued subpoenas to the Justice Department for documents about the IRS targeting investigation. Issa said he'd previously simply requested the documents, but since the DOJ had not provided them, he was now doing so with subpoenas.

BEYOND NAWAPA

Controlling the Weather: Ionizing the Atmosphere

Megan Beets of the LaRouchePAC Science Team hosted this “New Paradigm for Mankind Weekly Report” on May 14, 2014. Lyndon LaRouche and Ben Deniston were her guests. Beets began by establishing the strategic context for the discussion, with reference to LaRouche’s previous day’s emphasis on the pending, precipitous blowout of the trans-Atlantic system, and the need for the immediate implementation of the Glass-Steagall law and a Hamiltonian credit system. The video is available at <http://larouchepac.com/node/30782>.

Megan Beets: ...The key area that we’re going to take up in today’s discussion, is the physical crisis which is currently hitting the Western half of the United States, in what is an ongoing, and worsening drought condition hitting a great part of the nation. Now, as we have covered in previous discussions, this is not a temporary condition. We’re looking at perhaps a drought that could stretch on for years, decades, or longer.

So, as you’ve emphasized, Mr. LaRouche, quite strongly, we now know that the NAWAPA (North American Water and Power Alliance)¹ program, as pre-



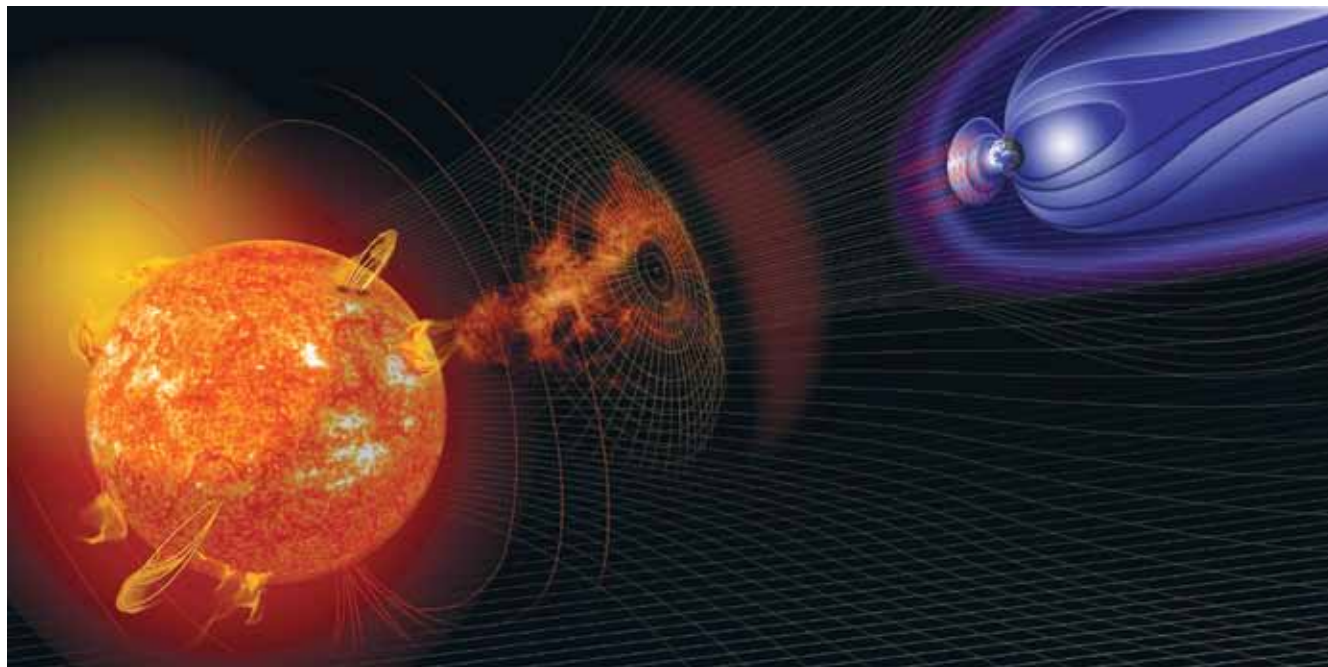
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Ben Deniston: What’s needed is “the leap-frog economic principle: go to a higher level of control, typified by fusion, typified by weather-modification systems, and then, from reaching further into the future, resituate these projects like NAWAPA, and related irrigation systems, to be able to handle the crisis.”

viously discussed, will not be enough to correct and address the physical collapse and emergency hitting the Western United States with this drought. What we now know is that the NAWAPA system, or any land-based water-management system as such, is itself dependent upon a much larger global moisture and precipitation cycle. So if we intend to survive and develop and solve this crisis, it’s that larger system that we must gain mas-

1. For more on NAWAPA, see <http://larouchepac.com/infrastructure>

FIGURE 1



NASA Goddard Space Flight Center

A solar storm heading toward Earth (upper right, in the midst of magnetic fields). This schematic shows the type of factor that was not being considered when NAWAPA was designed, when all the irrigation and water systems of the West were designed. The climate system is not a fixed, stable system.

tery over, and that means evolving to higher levels than we've ever been at before, in terms of power and control as a species.

So Ben, I think you have something to say on that.

The Sun Is Weakening

Ben Deniston: Yes. Today, we're going to get at some of what we might be able to do, to act on some of these larger systems that subsume NAWAPA and subsume these river diversion, river management projects. I think it's worth just putting on the table, that even if we had built NAWAPA in the 1960s, when it was designed; if we'd built it in the '60s and '70s, and completed it by, say, the '80s, bringing water down from the North into the West and linking up the continent as a continental water-management system; even if we had built that, we'd still be faced with the same challenges we're raising here, today, now.

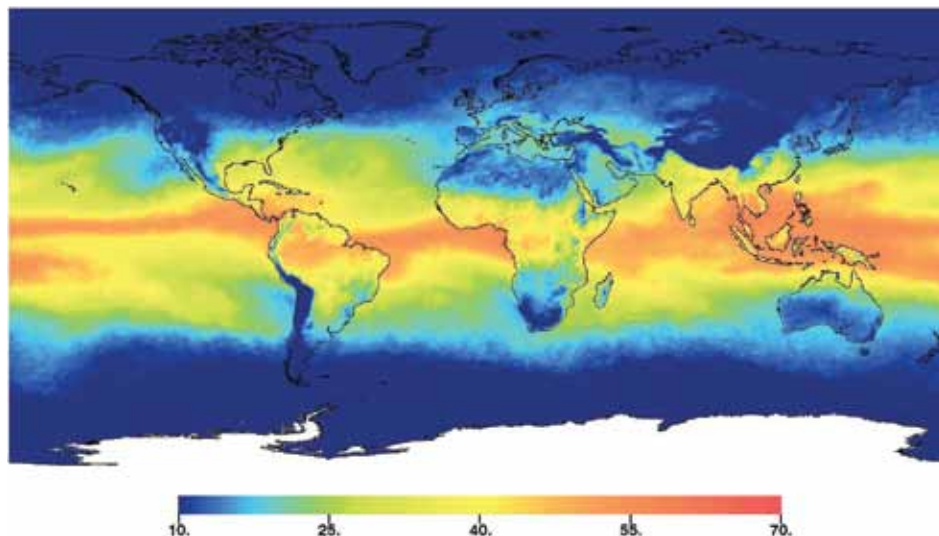
Even if we'd built it then, we'd still be now realizing, the Sun is weakening. There are multiple, independent indicators pointing to the fact that we very likely could be heading towards a grand solar minimum, which will affect climate conditions differently in different regions, and globally. So this is a chal-

lenge, because of the development of the Solar System, and because of what the Sun is doing, and because of the level of development of society, this is a challenge that mankind is going to have to confront, no matter what.

Now, because we haven't built NAWAPA, we're in an even worse crisis, where we don't even have a certain stability point to work from, to handle these challenges, of larger-scale climate fluctuations, longer-term drought processes. So it just underscores the need to accelerate toward a future orientation, to what you might call the leap-frog economic principle: Go to a higher level of control, typified by fusion, typified by weather-modification systems, and from reaching further into the future, then, resituate these projects like NAWAPA, and related irrigation systems, to be able to handle the crisis.

Figure 1 is just a very cartoonish schematic of the type of processes we're looking at, where this new factor that was not being considered when NAWAPA was designed, that was not being considered when all the irrigation and water systems of the West were designed, is the fact that the climate system is not a fixed, stable system. Large-scale climate systems and regional

FIGURE 2

AIRS Total Precipitable Water Vapor (mm) May 2009

NASA/JPL

AIRS=Aqua/Atmospheric Infrared Sounder

climate systems fluctuate; they can fluctuate rather dramatically over even years and decades. And one of the key factors, not the only thing, but one of the key factors that can play a major role in this is major changes in solar activity, like what I went through last week.² We could be seeing such changes with this weakening Sun right now.

So that means, we can't guarantee that the rivers that exist now, will continue to be the same types of river systems, because those depend upon these climate patterns and these precipitation patterns. What we have to look at, is what determines the rivers, what determines the snow-pack, what determines the precipitation in different regions (**Figure 2**). And, where all this water ultimately comes from is, initially, the oceans. That's, obviously, the major store of water on the whole planet. Then the Sun is doing a lot of work for us, evaporating huge amounts of water from the oceans and pumping it up into the atmosphere.

Now, just coming from the oceans, globally, it's equivalent to about 1,000 Mississippi Rivers' worth of water. So, if people have been to the Mississippi, it's an impressive flow of water: Imagine 1,000 of those rivers worth of water, flowing vertically up, from the oceans into the atmosphere—that's continuously happening. Only about 10% of that water that flows up

from the oceans by solar evaporation ends up falling on land. Obviously it fluctuates seasonally, it fluctuates year to year—but based on NASA's observations, certain modeling, a good estimate is about 10%, we think, of this moisture, water that came from the ocean, evaporated, about 10% of that falls on land. And that determines all the river systems that we have; that determines the recycling of the water on land, where plant life will put that water back up into the atmosphere; it'll fall on land again, as rain, but ultimately, the input to the whole land-based water system is this ocean-water transport

from solar activity.

So, if we're going to handle the type of climate changes—real climate changes, not the lies that Prince Philip and his associates are putting out—but actual changes and developments and shifts in the climate system that are going to come from solar activity and associated processes, we have to start to look at these subsuming processes of the atmospheric moisture cycles.

And so the question is—and we'll get into some detail today—how do we make that water that's in the atmosphere, fall where we want it to fall, or, not fall where we don't want it to fall? How do we bring it over to regions where we want it, and how do we get it to change from a vapor state to a liquid state, so it can fall down to the land system?

This has been a subject, obviously, that mankind has been fascinated with for a long time, and done a fair amount of work on. People are probably familiar with cloud-seeding. There's frankly a lot of cloud-seeding activity that goes on, where people will distribute particles of material into clouds, and if the clouds are near a tipping point, it can accelerate the condensation process, and ensure that the droplets get big enough to fall. But it's a very limited aspect. It depends upon a certain amount of moisture and cloud formation to already be there, so you can kind of push it over the edge, so to speak, just give it a little boost.

2. See <http://larouchepac.com/node/30718>

Weather Modification: Ionization

What I want to look at today is another avenue, by no means the only one, but one specific avenue of weather modification, weather control, called “ionization systems,” and I want to go through a few case studies of these systems.

Here is, a picture of some of these systems operating in Mexico (**Figure 3**). These are towers connected by a series of electrical wires. It actually takes not a whole lot of power input; but the key is not just blasting a bunch of power through the system, but *tuning* it. You can tune these systems, ionize the atmosphere in the region surrounding them. You take regions of the atmosphere that were not necessarily very charged, not electrically active, and you make them electrically active by ionizing the region, by separating these electrons from the nuclei of the atoms. So, these systems can be used to ionize a region of the atmosphere, which will then actually have a much larger effect, on the scale of tens of miles, hundreds of miles, around one of these systems. And this ionization process can actually help facilitate the condensation of water vapor.

By creating these charged particles, you’re helping to give something for the water to condense onto, and helping to facilitate the process, something that’s always going on to some degree—more in some places, less in other places—but there’s always this process of the vapor changing. The Sun turns ocean water into vapor; at a certain point, the vapor changes back to a liquid state and then falls from the atmosphere, as rain or snow, or whatever.

Beets: Some say this is more effective than simple cloud seeding.

Deniston: Yes, this has been shown to be much more effective than the traditional cloud-seeding processes.

So, here’s a map of the operations in Mexico (**Figure 4**). This is one useful case study, where they’ve done this. There is a scientist who was doing some of this work in the Soviet Union, and

FIGURE 3

Producing Rain with Ionization, Mexico

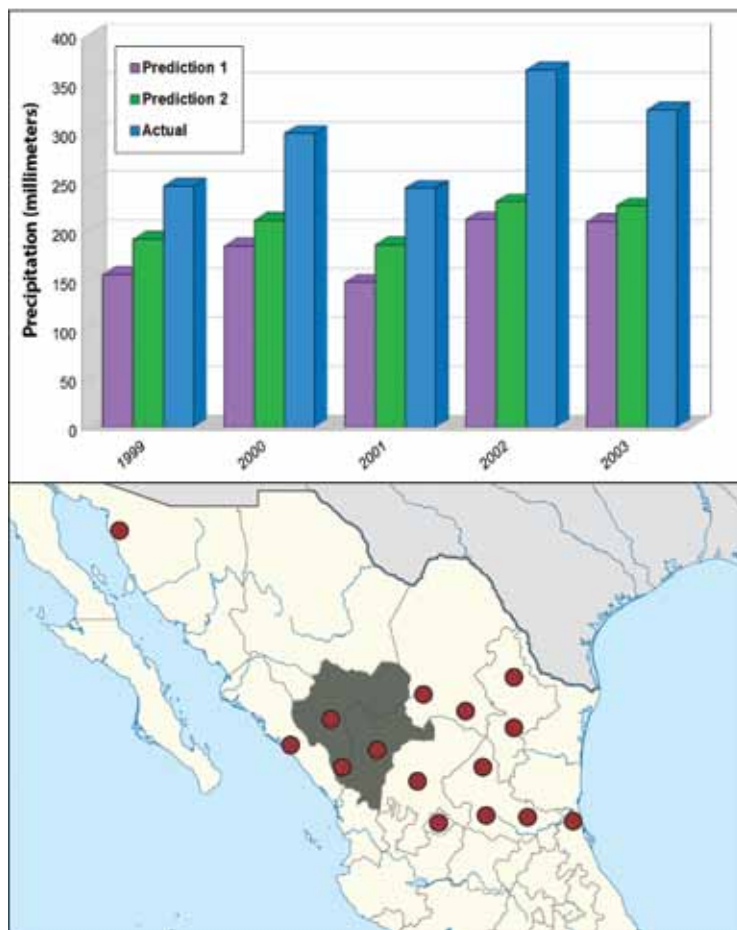


Sergei Pulintes

Left: the central mast; right: an example of the installation used

FIGURE 4

ELAT Stations & Precipitation in Durango



Phillip Kauffman and Arquimedes Ruiz-Columbié

when the Soviet Union fell, he basically started a company and said, “I can be hired to create rain, I can affect weather systems, I can affect storm systems.” And at the time, 1992-’93, it generated somewhat of an international media buzz. A lot of the international media were trying to dismiss him as some kook, but he ended up getting into some discussions with the head of the space research program at the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM), and they started talking about some of this work. And they got the support of someone who at the time was the head of the science committee in the Federal Senate in Mexico.

So they got together and said, let’s give these systems a try.³ By ’96, they had built three trial systems—these ionization stations in Mexico—and they got positive results; they could actually increase the rainfall, and the amount of precipitation over these regions. So based on that success, they expanded it from 3 stations in ’96, to, I believe, 21 stations in 2004.

Each of the red dots on the map is the location of one of these systems, set up across Mexico. The shaded state there, is the state of Durango, and [in the bar graph, above], we have an illustration of, over five years, the expected versus the actual rainfall, which has been attributed to these ionization systems. So you have each year, 1999 to 2003, measuring this precipitation in millimeters. And the purple and the green, are a low and a high prediction for the natural rainfall, what they naturally expect to get in the region, the forecast based on historically what they get in the region and whatever climate patterns they’re seeing for the coming year. So you have a high versus a low prediction, for what they expected the rainfall in the state of Durango to be. And the blue is what actually happened, under the influence of these ionization systems.

So you can see, for this region of Durango, as one case study of these Mexico operations, that you had consistently for five years, a higher level of precipitation under the influence of these ionization systems.

I’ll read a couple quotes from some of the media coverage of these Mexico operations. In 2003, a magazine called *Mass High Tech*, from Massachusetts, was covering these investigations, and the technology is

FIGURE 5

Meteo Systems in the United Arab Emirates



called ELAT, the name of the ionization systems they use; so, in 2003, *Mass High Tech* wrote: Mexico’s “first ELAT station, in the drought-stricken state of Sonora, increased average rainfall from 10.6 inches to 51 inches in the first year, according to Mexican Department of Agriculture statistics. When a lack of state funds shut down the station the following year, area rainfall measured 11 inches. In the third year, with the station operational again, the area recorded 47 inches of rainfall.”

In 2004, *IEEE Spectrum* covered this, and they looked at the entire central basin region of Mexico, and on average, under the operations of these systems over a few years, they concluded, there was about a doubling of precipitation of rain over this larger central basin region, which corresponded to a 61% increase in bean production in the region.

And there are other studies. They’re also looking at using these systems to put out fires, so there’s a significant reduction of fires in the Yucatan Peninsula, under the operation of these systems, because they bring in moisture.

So the Mexico operations have been successful for well over a decade, and have led to the expansion of these systems, and a very clear demonstration that there is some potential to use this ionization effect to induce precipitation and induce moisture flows for some control over these weather patterns.

Not Just Mexico

Another operation, using a similar concept, not necessarily the exact, same technology, but still based on ionization method, was launched in the United Arab Emirates (**Figure 5**). This is a screenshot from their website, called Meteo Systems, and the image of some

3. See Sergei Pulnits, “Are Earthquakes Foreseeable? The Current State of Research,” *EIR*, Aug. 5, 2011.

FIGURE 6



of these ionization stations they had set up, I believe, in 2011 there. And based on these operations, they claimed to have generated 51 or 52 unanticipated rain showers, that were not forecast by the weather, just totally a surprise, but came in association with the development of these ionization systems in the UAE. And this actually helped to generate a fair amount of media buzz, and I think, scared some people a little bit, because they took down the website for a little while. There were all these attacks: “That can’t happen, it’s impossible, it’s physically impossible, you can’t control the weather.” So it went down for a little bit, and now it’s all back up and you can go to the website (<http://www.meteo-systems.com/>), and they have their studies there.

The third case where this has been demonstrated has been in Australia (**Figure 6**), on a somewhat smaller scale than the Mexico operations. This is a company called Australian Rain Technologies. They have another variation of this ionization system; the map shows three regions where they’ve been doing relatively small-scale, limited, but very rigorous and very conservative studies, of running these systems, measuring how much rainfall happens. And they’ve been claiming, again, consistent results through these studies, ranging between a 10-20% increase in the regions af-

fected. And they also make the point—and you can also go to their website (<http://www.australianrain.com.au/>)—they have very lengthy, detailed studies, with all the assumptions involved, and they’re very clear that they’re being extremely conservative in their estimates. So if anything, they’re undershooting the effect they’re actually having, but to make sure that they’re really countering all the naysayers and attacks, they’re being very conservative in their estimates of what effects their systems are having.

And they, for example, proposed, a relatively cheap \$11 million project, to build 14 of these stations in the catchment area that leads to a reservoir that feeds the Murray Darling Basin, a region where there’s major water shortages, largely because of crazy environmentalist policies. It’s a huge agricultural region for Australia; it’s fed by irrigation systems. So they’ve put out a proposal to say, let’s build a series of these ionization systems, not covering the whole

basin, but covering the catchment area, where any rain that falls in that area falls into rivers that flow into reservoirs, so as to increase the rainfall that ultimately goes into the reservoirs, to give water supply for the whole basin.

As far as I know, they haven’t gotten support for that program, but that’s the type of study they’re proposing to do. I haven’t seen any detailed studies, but there’s multiple references to these technologies being used in Russia to good effect; some of the people in these other operations, were involved in Russia. Other coverage has cited Russian activity, and there are other nations as well, where some of this has been investigated.

So, this is not just some theory that somebody just came up with, and is untested. There are now at least three documented places, and there are others, but there are at least three regions, where this has been shown to be effective. In Australia, with relatively small-scale, but very rigorous studies; in Mexico, with larger operations, operating for many years, with consistent success.

So this is kind of the tip of the iceberg of the type of stuff we could be getting at, but I just want to take a few minutes now, to go through some of the science that we’re dealing with.

Evaporation: Megatons of Energy

Going back to the total moisture in the atmosphere, this is the measure of what they call “total precipitable water vapor,” water vapor that can precipitate, can fall out as liquid water (Figure 2). This is water vapor in the atmosphere. It was actually a surprise to me to realize how much energy is stored in this water vapor itself, because it takes a lot of energy to convert liquid water to a vapor form. And Jason [Ross, of the LPAC Science Team] has used the example a few times of boiling a pot of water on your stove: How long does it take to get boiling? It usually takes a little while. But then, how long does it take to boil all the water out of that pot? That’s a lot of heat, a lot of energy, to vaporize, to turn from liquid to vapor state, a whole pot of water. Now, that energy is actually stored in the state of being a vapor, and if you can get it to condense, to change back from vapor to liquid, it releases heat, it releases energy. They call this “latent heat,” the heat potential in a vapor state of a liquid.

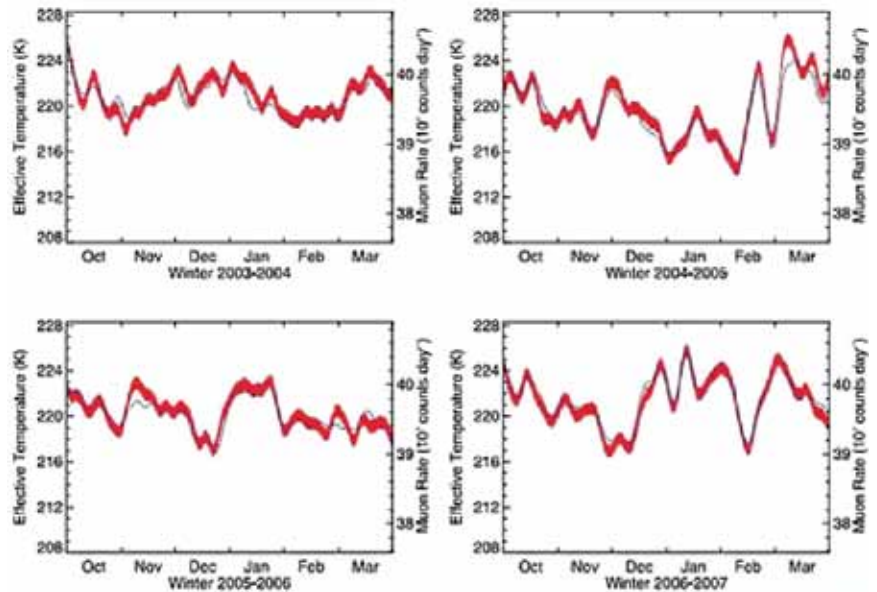
So, actually, 23%, nearly a quarter of the Sun’s energy that hits the Earth’s system—not just that which hits the surface, but all the energy that comes to the whole Earth system—23% of that solar energy goes into the evaporation of water. So 23% of the energy input from the Sun into the Earth’s system, is, in a sense, stored in the vaporization of water.

But it’s a constant process. You could never do this—in case people get afraid about this example, or something: You could never actually do this, but, if you took all the water vapor in the atmosphere, and instantly condensed it into a liquid state, it would release the amount of energy on the order of 6,700 megatons of TNT equivalent—that much energy. The biggest nuclear bomb ever detonated, the Tsar Bomba that the Soviets detonated, was 50 megatons. The amount of energy contained, just in the vapor state, the state of the water being a vapor, in the atmosphere is the equivalent of 6,700 megatons, so over 100 of the largest nuclear bombs ever detonated; that much energy is constantly there, just in the latent heat factor.

But it doesn’t just stay there. The Sun’s constantly

FIGURE 7

Short-Term Correlation of Temperature in the Stratosphere and Secondary Cosmic Rays



Scott Osprey et al., 2009

evaporating more water; that water is constantly condensing back to liquid and precipitating. And as it’s condensing back to liquid, it’s releasing heat and it’s heating the atmosphere. Now, half of the heating of the entire atmosphere actually comes from this process, which I found to be remarkable. So, about half of the heating of the atmosphere comes just from the sunlight hitting the atmosphere directly; but the other half comes from the condensation, the water vapor changing back to liquid and releasing heat—this actually contributes to half of heating, the thermal effect, of the entire atmosphere. So this latent heat release, this evaporation and latent heat release, is a major, major factor in the entire thermal system of the atmosphere.

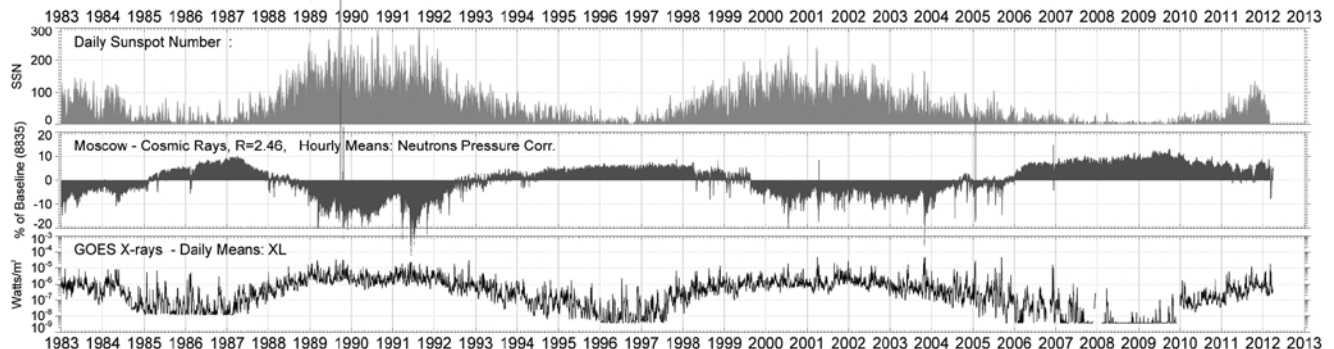
Now, this gets very interesting, because one of the key factors that facilitates this condensation process, this changing from vapor to liquid, is the process of increasing the ionization: Having more charged electrical characteristics to a region of the atmosphere, can help facilitate a greater rate of condensation. We know this just by natural effects, by cosmic rays, galactic cosmic radiation: Our atmosphere is constantly bombarded with cosmic radiation.

Figure 7 shows two lines on each of these graphs: There’s a thick red one, and there’s a thinner blue one, but it’s hard to see because they match so well. One of the lines is measuring cosmic rays beneath the surface

FIGURE 8

Space Environment Overview

Space Environment Overview: 1983 - 2013



Daniel Wilkinson

of the Earth, which is fascinating; the other line is measuring the temperature of the stratosphere, the high atmosphere. And you have an extremely tight relationship between cosmic-ray flow into the Earth's system, and the temperature of the upper atmosphere. Because, the more cosmic rays, the more changing from vapor to liquid, of the water, and the more latent heat release, heating the upper atmosphere.

And this is actually a total surprise, in systems that were beneath the surface of the Earth, measuring very high-intensity cosmic rays; that they're able to use that data to show that the cosmic-ray flux tightly corresponds to the upper atmosphere temperatures, very likely relating to this latent-heat-release effect.

So, the galactic cosmic rays can modulate ionization and latent heat release and have a major effect on the thermal system of the atmosphere. The other factor that plays into that, is solar activity (**Figure 8**), because solar activity helps to modulate cosmic-ray flux: If the Sun is more active, has a stronger magnetic influence, it tends to block out more cosmic rays from entering the Earth system. If the Sun is weaker, as I was discussing last week, if the Sun's magnetic system is getting weaker, then it can't block as many cosmic rays, and we get more cosmic rays coming into the Solar System and the Earth system. And this is very well documented.

This can be seen very clearly in this graphic of 30 years: The upper curve is sunspot number—and again the number of sunspots is a good measure for how active the Sun is overall, but the activity is very magnetic in character, a very active magnetic field when it's

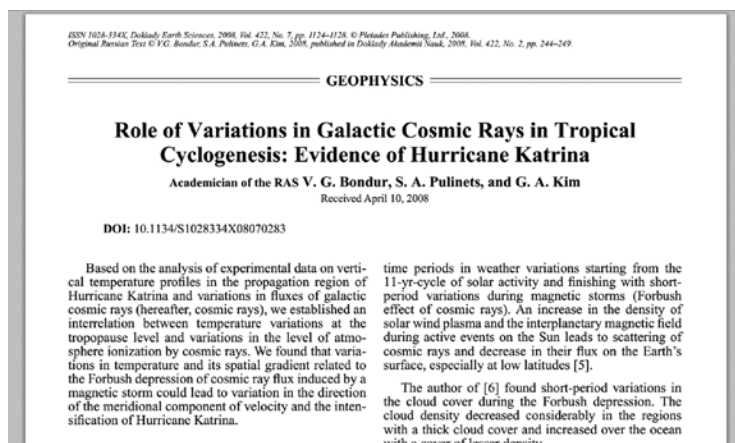
more active. So, you can see the regular, 11-year fluctuation in sunspots, and the very bottom is the x-ray flux. You can see that the x-rays leaving the Sun and hitting the Earth follow very closely with the solar cycle.

But you see an *inverse* relationship in the middle curve, in cosmic rays. So when the Sun is more active, peaking around '89, '90, '91, you see there's actually a dip, there's actually less cosmic rays reaching the Earth system, because the Sun was more active. As the Sun quiets down into a minimum period, like you see in '95, '96, '97, you get an increase in galactic cosmic radiation coming from outside the Solar System.

So you can see this tight relationship between solar activity and cosmic-radiation flux. It's a way to mediate how the Sun's activity, interacting with the cosmic radiation—those two play a role in affecting weather systems and thermal systems, and condensation and ionization in the Earth's atmosphere.

Now, you have an overall cycling here, but you also have singular, large events. You have these coronal mass ejections, when the Sun has a big explosion on its surface and sends out a large ball of plasma; basically, a mass of plasma leaves the Sun's surface and travels through the Solar System. When those masses of plasma hit the Earth's system—because they carry a magnetic field, the whole plasma itself is going to have magnetic characteristics—those can, temporarily, over just a short term, strengthen the magnetic influence around the Earth and also lower the cosmic rays coming in. They're referred to as Forbush decreases, named after the guy who discovered these things: That when you

FIGURE 9



have singular outbursts of solar activity, it can make a sharp, short-term dip in cosmic radiation flux.

Hurricane Katrina

So I set all this up, to point to one very provocative and interesting study (Figure 9), looking at the relationship between galactic cosmic radiation, solar activity, and ionization and latent heat release—everything we’ve discussed so far—and hurricanes. And in this case, the case of Hurricane Katrina, which devastated New Orleans in 2005.

What they looked at in this study was very interesting; that one of the major factors in determining the strength of a hurricane is the temperature difference, with a relatively warmer ocean, and a cooler upper atmosphere: The greater difference in temperature, the greater convection, the greater change of state which strengthens the whole hurricane. That’s why when a hurricane moves into the Gulf of Mexico, where the water’s a lot warmer, that can affect the whole hurricane structure, create a larger temperature difference.

What they looked at, was the fact that, in the case of Hurricane Katrina, you had a geomagnetic storm, you had a changing of the Earth’s magnetic field, likely associated with activity from the Sun, which actually decreased the cos-

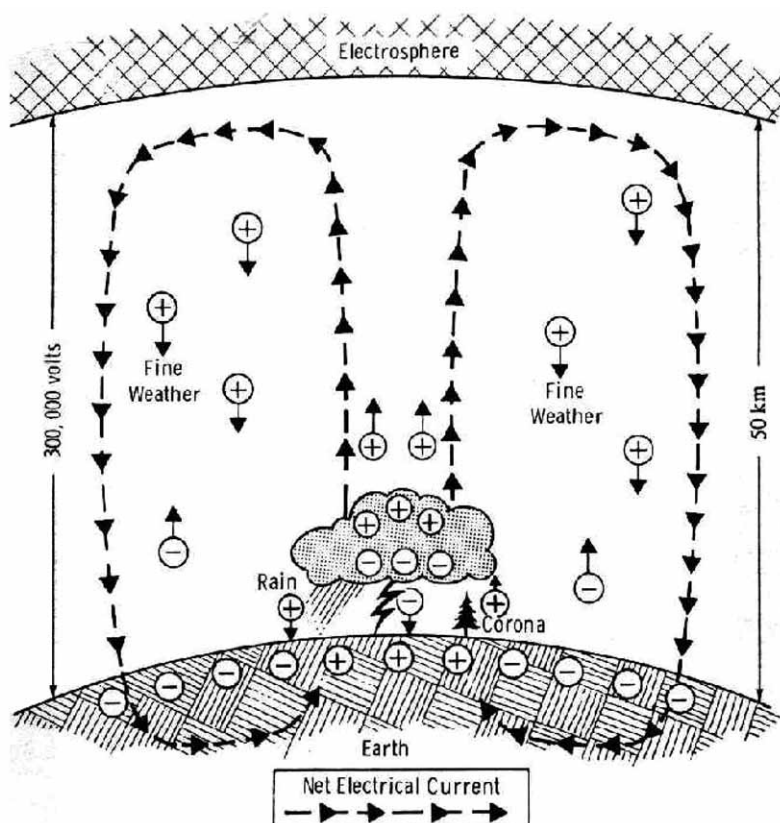
mic-radiation flux, which meant that there was less ionization occurring in the upper atmosphere, which meant there was less heat being released. So less cosmic radiation coming in, meant less ionization and less release of this latent heat. So the upper atmosphere actually got colder, because of this magnetic storm and decrease in cosmic radiation. And that was enough to affect the entire hurricane; it strengthened, and it changed direction, because of a relatively small change in input of this ionization factor, which modulated the latent heat release and changed the temperature difference, affecting the whole hurricane system.

This has some potential large-scale, real effects that you can conceptualize—this type of ionization affecting latent heat release, is enough of a factor, to affect an entire hurricane system, based on what we see from this study.

Lyndon LaRouche: It changes the characteristics of Earth’s weather, above the United States, for example.

Deniston: Yes. And that’s what we want to start

FIGURE 10
Global Electric Circuit



looking at. And the other factor, just to round off, real quick, the other contributing factor is the whole global electric circuit (**Figure 10**), which is another factor in weather systems which is affected by ionization.

The entire Earth system is characterized by this voltage, this potential difference, this electrical difference between the ground and the ionosphere, the very high atmosphere. And this is generated by thunderstorm activity; lightning and thunder clouds create this; the more lightning strikes you have and the more thunderstorms, the greater the intensity of the whole global electric circuit system.

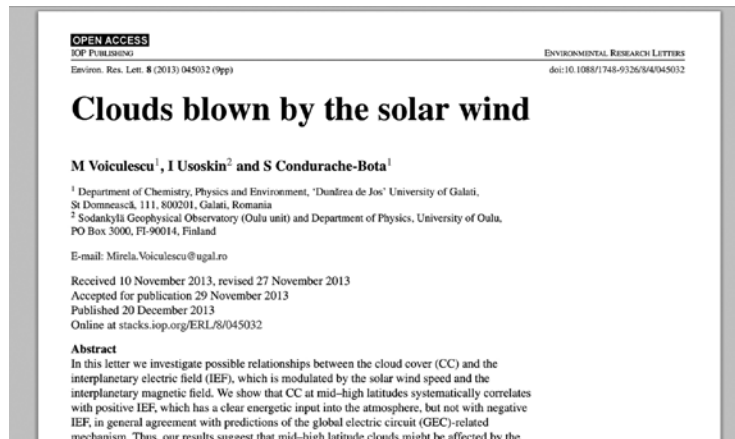
So you have these thunderstorms generating this difference, and then everywhere else, you have a current, flowing back down through the atmosphere. It's happening everywhere; it's happening right here. There's actually a current flowing through our system right now, from the ionosphere to the Earth. The ionization, either by galactic cosmic rays, or by man-made ionization systems, can affect these current systems, because if you increase the ionization of the atmosphere, you increase the ability for the current to flow through that particular region, potentially giving us another handle on being able to affect large-scale weather systems, moisture-flow patterns.

Here is another study that indicates some of this. This is actually a fun study, showing that cloud cover in certain regions of the Earth has actually been shown to correspond to solar wind, to the electrical coupling of the Sun to the Earth system (**Figure 12**)—another indication that weather and climate systems are tied to the global electric circuit in these processes.

Changing the Characteristics of the Solar System

LaRouche: This has a complementary implication which is more interesting in other ways. It's interesting psychologically, in terms of mankind's own behavior. That, for example, the problem we faced on NAWAPA, was the fact that there was an assumption that there was a fixed system on Earth, which could give you a NAWAPA program. What this demonstrates, of course, is an understandably foreseeable management capability, which is superior to any fixed system on Earth at one time, any climatic system. So we got caught in the fact, that the delay of NAWAPA—I'm sure that if it had been put in place at the proper time, it would not have

FIGURE 11



been collapsed today, because it's again, these kinds of process.

But the more important thing is to go beyond Earth as such, and to realize that mankind has a responsibility, as well as an ability, to change the characteristics of the Solar System itself. And that mankind now has to realize, to look at this process from the Solar System; and there's also a time factor in this thing, of course. When you go to the Solar System, you go to a greater disparity in time. But it means that mankind, potentially, that mankind on Earth, is not mankind: Mankind resides on Earth, under Earth conditions, but mankind's responsibility by going to higher energy-flux density, is to control the Solar System. And therefore, mankind's directive has to be the intention to increase man's power in the Solar System.

And one of the things that's most significant is, why haven't we done something about asteroids? Asteroids are a near-Earth-passing phenomenon, with deadly implications for even the existence of the human species. Why haven't we done something about that?

So therefore, you're talking about—it's if Satan himself, otherwise known as Zeus, were planning the policies, stewed up in the mind in the Roman Empire and in the British Empire. Maybe they're Satanic forces. Not Satanic forces of nature, but Satanic forces of evil: The people that prevent us, as mankind, from doing what mankind *can* deal with, is the great crime.

So therefore, we should eliminate the Roman Empire, as something that should never have happened, as a Satanic phenomenon, and the British Empire is also, we know, close at hand, a Satanic phenomenon.

And all these things, like weather and so forth, reflect mankind's Satanic subjection to influences of that type. Because man *could* do something about it. Most of the climate problems we have in the United States which are close to Earth, are things we could manage. But what prevents them from being managed? The *green* policy! The green policy is the threat to human existence. I think we have to get rid of the greenies.

Deniston: Yes, absolutely. As you've repeatedly emphasized, you just take 1968, '69, '71, through today—we've had no progress. There's been no economic progress—mankind has been *not allowed* to develop fusion; it has been suppressed and kept from being developed; nuclear power has been shut down.

LaRouche: It's obvious, we have to shoot Satan. Really! That's the term to use, "shoot Satan"!

Deniston: Right. And that's what people don't get. You literally hear the argument from some people, "Well, weather modification, earthquake forecasting, fusion power, if it could have happened, it would have happened already. And therefore, because it hasn't happened already, therefore it couldn't happen." That's just totally ahistorical. . . .

LaRouche: That's Satanic. *That is* Satanic! A Satanic ideology. And it should be called that.

Deniston: Yes. But people don't realize that there's this active force, in society, trying to suppress this development.

LaRouche: Well, that's obvious. Because, the point is, mankind is responsible to control nearby space. And this is a perfect—what you've just done here, in this presentation, is a very nice, implicit presentation of exactly that issue. And you add in the asteroid question, and threats to mankind from asteroids; it's a similar kind of phenomenon. Mankind will not become mankind, until we can control asteroids. Because as long as those asteroids are running around, they're uncontrolled, without the means we *could* develop control for, mankind's very *existence* is insecure! And that is truly Satanic! And the British monarchy is truly the creation of Satan: Maybe we should *fire Satan*!

Beets: We can start by firing our President.

LaRouche: Yeah, well, that would help. That's the first thing. I think Obama should be one of the first to go: Like a leaf that's flowing in a hot stream, and suddenly it becomes ignited, and goes away in

the flare, and drops its ashes to ground—and is no more!

So this is a very informative, in terms of educating some of the people out there, to open their minds, as well as their eyes, and ears, and so forth, as to what the problem is. And let's not depend on *fixed systems*, on *fixed destinies*, on limits which are fixed! Ah! Let's have some *fun*!

A War Against Satan

Beets: As you pointed out yesterday, and also in this report that you just finished,⁴ mankind is not fixed like animal life, that's how you put it yesterday. That, in reality, man is not a fixed species, we're not a fixed system, and human evolution does not occur in the same mode as what we call biological evolution. And what that means is that mankind is constantly changing, because he's constantly able to master principles of the universe which are beyond what had ever been part of the human species before.

LaRouche: Well, that's my point. That's my point in my emphasis on the significance of Vernadsky's work, even though the guy died, in the middle of a process of continuing discovery. He died of old age and wear-and-tear, in the normal course of events. And then his creative powers were suddenly turned off, by his death, and other people were not able to do much in continuing them. Many people did try to push something here, push something there, as a result of his work, after he had died. But that became attenuated, especially with the breakup of the Soviet Union and the demoralization process that preceded that breakup.

I mean, we reached the high point right when I was doing the SDI, and that goes from 1978 into 1983, that period. And what we were doing, was going in exactly that direction. That was the intention: That we had to end this damned war business, because under thermonuclear war conditions, you can no longer have war in the conventional sense of global warfare. And therefore, you have to change the way in which mankind behaves, socially. But you have to get rid of Satan, the Queen.

She now has genders; we always took this matter of Zeus, which is really Satan, and we didn't pay any attention to the gender problem! The Queen may be the

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name of the menace, hmm? But the whole apparatus, her husband, her son, and a lot of people around them, they're all similar kinds of Satanic rubbish.

And what we're really doing, is we're fighting a war against Satan. And I think that is probably a good enough war for us to fight.

I don't think we need any other war. We just kill Satan, or put him in a prison; that should be sufficient to encourage man, to do what mankind is. I think that the British Empire and its predecessor, the Roman Empire, the follower of the original Satan, that's the fellow we have to get rid of. That's what we have to make war against.

I think, then, human beings will have the chance of being really human! We just have to order the affairs of mankind on Earth, so that we have nations, but the nations are really instruments of a common human intention. And we have to bring that about. That'll be fun. That will make life worth having been lived. That I like!

I'm pleased we're going to do something about this.

Deniston: Yes.

LaRouche: The ideas have been rolling through my head as Ben went through this process. I've got a whole list of things, about a dozen things which just rolled through my head. It was not just what he was saying;

it's that what he was saying *popped* into my head as meaning this, meaning this, referring this! It was fun! It was great fun, a good ride.

Deniston: Thanks. But this also gets at what you've been pointing to in the replacement of science with mathematics. Because now, *this* type of process typifies the revival of science, real science. How can mankind act, hypothesize, and use that hypothesis to act to improve the conditions of life, to change things, to be an increasingly active force in the universe.

LaRouche: The point is, the trans-Atlantic region is now dying! Most of Western Europe is dying, beyond Central Europe. Most of trans-Atlantic region is *dying*. Dying of a self-inflicted wound, called "Satan," the British Empire.

What you're having now, you have a gradual recovery of Asia, and extending into that. There are many parts of Asia which are absolutely destroyed. But, there are powerful forces in the Eurasian section which are moving, as Russia is trying to move and others are; now China, as well; so this driving force. What's happened is, the trans-Atlantic region has slipped into playing the role that Asia had. The trans-Atlantic region became a dominant region through the version of the British Empire, and related things, or the contention with the British Empire; and then Asia was subordinated, the Asia, trans-Pacific region.

Changing the Direction of Man's Destiny

So now, what's happened is, the trans-Pacific region has now come into prominence, in what, as of *now*, is the dominant trend, upward. Whereas the trans-Atlantic region is the dying region, of culture inherently. It's not a failure of one country, or another country; the whole region is dying, systemically!

What we're going to have to do, is think on a larger scale: We have to bring both regions of the planet into coherent agreement on principle. And that's what I'm looking at, in terms of the Russia thing. The Russia-China relationship gives us the opportunity. If we in the United States get rid of Obama, and get rid of the oligarchical and other tendencies of that type; if we do

that, we can put the United States back to being the United States. And bringing that into synchronization with the upsurge in development in major parts of the Eurasian sector.

So that should be the policy of the United States government, now. And get rid of everything, in the U.S. government, which doesn't do that, and doesn't commit itself to that.

Beets: When you see some of these development projects that China has been proposing in the recent weeks—for example, the idea of building a system of maglev trains through an evacuated tube, that can go 1,800 miles per hour! This technology originated in the United States!

Deniston: Back in the '60s.

LaRouche: Yes!

Beets: And similarly, with the proposal to finally build this tunnel under the Bering Strait, which has been discussed in the United States and elsewhere for over a century!

LaRouche: The corresponding thing, is the tunnel through the Alps, which is one of the great achievements of that type, that macro-scale.

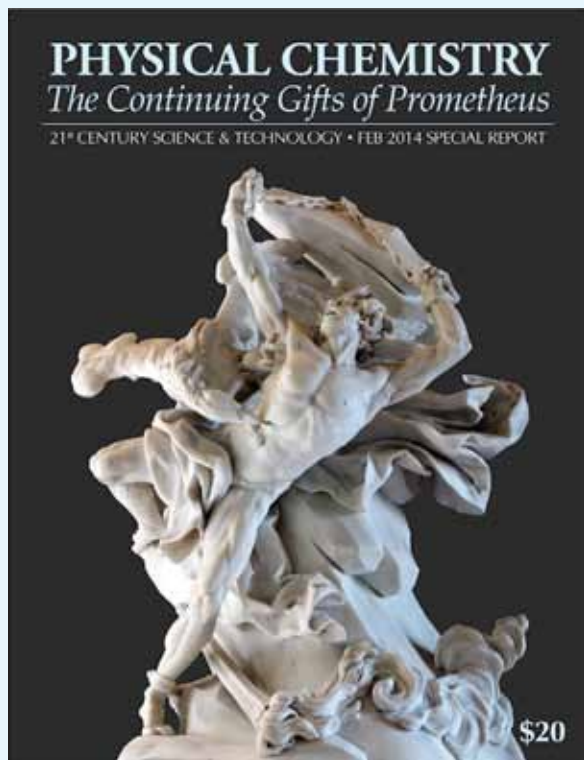
And that's what we have to do: We have to change the politics of the United States as such, in order to change the planet policy. We have to get rid of Obama, we have to get rid of Wall Street, everything like that. End the green policy! *Eradicate it!*

If we do that, and if we bring in the nations which are affected by that change, if the United States will change its character, back to what it was supposed to be, and coordinate with the Eurasian sector, or its leading sections, we have enough power, or influence, on this planet, to change the entire direction of man's destiny, to space.

So I think that's a mission-orientation, which we have to say, is the political destiny of mankind, which must be provident, in controlling what mankind, in various countries, does simultaneously now. It seemed like a good idea: I think it's probably the only good idea that will work right now, under these conditions.

This is good. And this stimulates one's thinking in that direction. Good!

Beets: Okay. Well, that'll do it for this week: Thank you, Ben; thank you, Lyn. And we'll see everybody soon.



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Politically and economically, the global situation is ripe for the four-point recovery program laid out by Lyndon LaRouche in his May 16 webcast (<http://larouchepac.com/node/30865>). That program includes: 1) reinstate FDR's Glass-Steagall; 2) restore a Hamiltonian credit system, a Treasury-supervised system dedicated to physical-economic growth; 3) smash the Green policy; and 4) move immediately into a mobilization for a thermonuclear fusion-based economy.

Without reorienting political and economic thinking around such an approach, there is no hope for avoiding a further descent into social chaos and mass death, either through a devastating collapse of the means of physical existence, or global war.

Fortunately, the key Eurasian nations—China, Russia, and now India—are already on track. As signified by the recent breakthrough summit between Russian President Vladimir Putin and Chinese President Xi Jinping, these giant nations are united on a perspective of cooperation for high-technology development, including space exploration. The fact that the communiqué pledged joint work on Xi's Economic Silk Road and Putin's Eurasian Economic Community underlines this harmony.

The development perspective outlined by the incoming Narendra Modi government in India, as well as the reception to his election in Russia, China, and the Southeast Asian region generally, gives promise that India, with its impressive scientific capabilities, will be joining in the effort as well.

There is no such positive news to report from continental Europe, of course, but there are significant developments there. The European parliamentary elections held over the May 25 weekend resulted in a political earthquake against the Euro-

pean Union's hated economic dictatorship. Dramatic realignments are now underway, especially in France, where the Socialist Party, with its EU-dictated austerity program, was trounced. Combined with the revolt in Germany, which is echoed elsewhere, against the British-Obama confrontation course with Russia, this anti-EU vote opens up the political process for the necessary change in policy, toward cooperation with Eurasia.

The key, however, lies in the United States, which remains the linchpin of the global economic and political system. If the United States remains under the thumb of the British Empire's policies, through British puppet Barack Obama, global prospects for humanity will remain grim, despite the hopeful moves elsewhere. But if the U.S. political scene itself undergoes an upheaval, with a movement of the huge section of the population which has dropped out of politics due to demoralization, back into the fight, and a revolt against the Obama/Wall Street control over the Democratic Party, the pathway to a positive future is in sight.

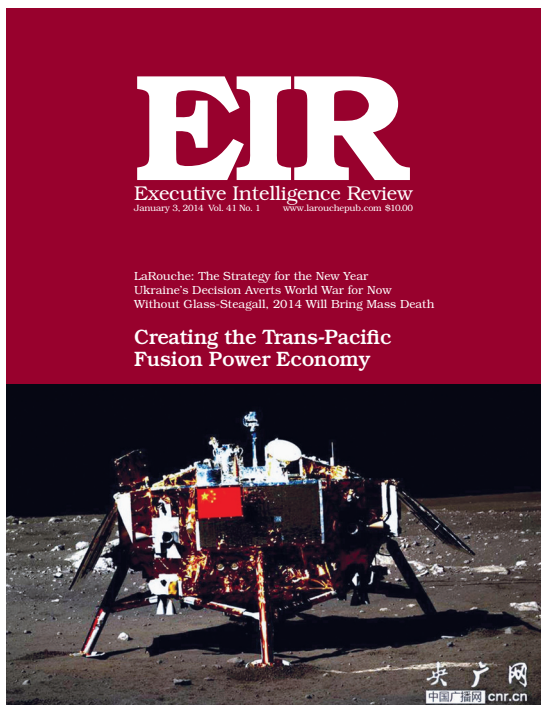
The potential for precisely such a development was evident in the recent Senatorial primary in Texas. Although the corrupt Democratic Party machine was able to defeat Kesha Rogers in the official vote total, it cannot squelch the effects of Rogers' bold leadership in reawakening the FDR-JFK spirit in the Democratic Party nationally. Those who were roused by Rogers' message to take action, know that the stakes go well beyond the election. They, as part of a nationwide machine, are inspired to fight on, for the global change required.

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