## **EDITORIAL**

## Your Life, and Mankind's Existence, Depend on a Global Mobilization for Modern Health Facilities in Every Nation

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May 15—There have been other moments like the current one in the history of Western civilization. In the 1330s, Europe fell into general warfare, and within a decade the Black Death, bubonic and then pneumonic plague, began to sweep through the entire region, eventually wiping out 20 million people, one-third of the population—and yet the wars raged on.

In 1914, the nations of Europe had formed into blocs, threatening each other with war, but not expecting war to break out. Of course, it did, and another 20 million souls were needlessly sacrificed to Mars, the God of War. When the war was being brought to an end in 1918, yet another plague, the so-called Spanish Flu, broke out among the soldiers and the immiserated civilians among the wreckage of war. Soon 500 million people—one-third of the world's population—became infected with the virus, with 50 million dead worldwide.

Are we walking, morally self-blindfolded, into yet another world war, this time with a deadly pandemic already in progress, brought on by decades of "little" wars and economic decay? Why did the populations of the 1330s and 1914 not foresee the horror of the wars and pandemics they were about to endure? You must ask yourself that question, and more importantly, reflect on your own actions, or non-actions, in the face of the crisis today.

Schiller Institute Chairwoman Helga Zepp-La-Rouche and former U.S. Surgeon General Dr. Joycelyn Elders initiated the Committee for the Coincidence of Opposites in June 2020, to address the global strategic and social crisis. The Committee released an emer-

gency call on May 14, to all peoples and all nations, titled: "Global Health Security Requires Medical Infrastructure in Every Country—Major Industrial Nations Must Collaborate Now!" The call presents a picture of the drastic situation facing civilization today, stating:

Our response to the pandemic, seen in these terms, is a question of existential importance to the human species. It requires the cooperation of all major industrialized nations. A new paradigm of coordination among the United States, China, Russia, and others is central.

It is no hyperbole to declare that this an existential crisis. Again, ask yourself, what should the people of 1330 and 1914 have done, and what must you do today? This is not a question of charity. Hand-outs, even food and medicine hand-outs—as desperately as those are needed—will not have the power to stop the onrushing holocaust. Decades—nay, centuries—of neglect, of barbaric violence against major portions of the human race, the looting of their resources by colonial powers, the artificial debt slavery in the neo-colonial IMF/World Bank era, and now endless regime change wars and sanctions imposed by the decaying trans-Atlantic powers, have brought us this pandemic. These evil powers are now frantically trying to prevent the emergence of China as a modern nation, while at the same time demonizing Russia, accusing them both of "aggression" when they exercise their military forces within their own boundaries, while

surrounded by nuclear armed, hostile forces from nations thousands of miles away.

Consider that Daniel Nadel, Director of the U.S. State Department's Office of International Religious Freedom, this week declared that the Chinese government had turned the entire region of Xinjiang into an "open-air prison," while, in fact, the people of Xinjiang are free to come and go from Xinjiang, and visitors from anywhere in the world are welcome. The Muslim people there have more mosques per capita than any other region in the world, while abject poverty has been eliminated.

Compare that to Gaza, whose two million people, Muslims, and Christians, have truly been held in an open-air prison, blockaded on all sides, lacking in electricity, food, and clean water for years, and are now being bombarded daily, even high-rise apartment buildings being demolished by bombs from a modern air force, leaving thousands dead or injured and many thousands homeless. Their health system was already crushed by COVID-19 and is now unable to care for the wounded. The President and the U.S. Secretary of State commented only that "Israel has a right to self-defense." What rung of Dante's *Inferno* do such rulers have to look forward to?

## **Speak Out for our Common Humanity**

Distribute the statement from the Committee for the Coincidence of Opposites, formatted for mass circulaton on the Schiller Institute website to everyone you know, to your political representatives, to your places of worship, to unions, and businesses. Without a modern health care system in every country, millions more will die, while the mutations which emerge from the uncontrolled spread, as in India today and Africa tomorrow, will render the vaccines being hoarded in the U.S. ineffective.

As Helga Zepp-LaRouche underscored in the Schiller Institute's May 8 international conference, "We have to create a completely different system. President Putin, in January 2020, called for an urgent meeting of the Permanent Five Members of the UN Security Council." Such a summit, taking on these challenges, will bring together Russia, China, and the United States. Other countries would quickly join in. Then the United States would be using its power for a great good, which our ancestors and our progeny can be proud of.

Building a modern health system in every country will require massive supplies of energy—precisely what the genocidal Green New Deal intends to prevent. It will require clean water sources and modern transportation. Only if the world's leading nations come together, doing away with British imperial geopolitics once and for all, can such a massive new Renaissance come about. The alternative is unthinkable.