## Insane U.S. Leadership in Bipartisan Drive for Global War

**EDITORIAL** 

Aug. 4—The utter madness of the U.S. leadership, the Biden Administration and both the Republicans and the Democrats in the Congress—as well as their British Imperial puppet-masters—is on full display throughout the world, and the world is justly frightened by their madness. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi's visit to Taiwan, which had no purpose other than to provoke a showdown with China over its sovereignty over Taiwan, has succeeded in putting the entire Chinese military on a war footing. Following a series of live-fire exercises on all four sides

of Taiwan over the past 24 hours, practicing a joint blockade, sea assault, and land and sea combat train-

ing, Chinese military expert Song Zhongping told Global Times:

In the event of a future military conflict, it is likely that the operational plans currently being rehearsed will be directly translated into combat operations.

The foreign ministers of the members of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), meeting in Cambodia on Aug. 3, issued a Joint Statement expressing their extreme anxiety regarding the deadly impact on their nations of a war between the U.S. and China, whether it be an economic war as is being conducted already against Russia, or a proxy war fought in Taiwan as is now being fought against Russia in Ukraine, or even a full-scale U.S.-China war, potentially going nuclear. The Joint Statement of the foreign ministers states:

[T]he recent development in the area adjacent with the ASEAN region ... could destabilize the region and eventually could lead to miscalculation, serious confrontation, open conflicts, and

unpredictable consequences among major powers.

The Joint Statement called for "maximum restraint" and for all parties to "refrain from provocative action," while ASEAN offered to "play a constructive role in facilitating peaceful dialogue between all parties."

The madness is equally demonstrated on the western front, where the U.S. Senate voted 95-1 to admit Sweden and Finland into NATO—two countries whose

neutrality had served as a symbol of peace for decades.

Even more insane was the unanimous Senate vote, 100-0, on July 28,

calling on the State Department to declare Russia a "state sponsor of terror." Is any member of that august body so daft that he or she does not know what the entire world knows, and will not forget—namely, that the U.S. openly armed and funded terrorist organizations in Iraq, Libya, and Syria in order to bring down anti-terrorist governments, which were no threat to the U.S., but which refused to follow dictates from the Anglo-American empire?

Today, Amnesty International denounced the Nazi-infested Armed Forces of Ukraine, which the once proud institution of the American Republic, the U.S. Senate, has shamefully, repeatedly, voted to arm with heavy weapons. The Amnesty International report, in extremely damning terminology, documented systematic war crimes by Ukrainian forces, who regularly deploy their forces in civilian locations, and thus "violate international humanitarian law and endanger civilians, as they turn civilians into military targets." They report that "Amnesty International researchers witnessed such conduct in numerous locations," corroborating these charges through the analysis of satellite imagery.

The Senate has also funded certain Ukraine government operations, including the Center for Countering

Disinformation, an MI6/CIA front in Kiev, which issued a hit-list against leading members of the Schiller Institute and others (see report elsewhere in this issue of EIR). Prominent on that list were Schiller founder Helga Zepp-LaRouche, and the LaRouche candidate for the U.S. Senate from the state of New York, Diane Sare, who is directly confronting the incumbent, Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer.

Scott Ritter, the former Marine intelligence officer and UN weapons inspector—who is also targeted on the Ukrainian hit list—has taken the extremely important first step towards breaking the massive information warfare which has kept Lyndon LaRouche's name and ideas out of the media over the last fifty years. Until Ritter's publication of an article in Consortium News Aug. 3, titled "Chuck Schumer's War on Free Speech," no coverage of the outrageous Ukrainian hit list other than that of EIR had acknowledged that 30 of the 78 named prominent individuals from around the world whom they accused of being propagandists for Russia, as well as "information terrorists" and "war criminals," are members of the Schiller Institute or have been speakers at Schiller conferences. Ritter posted Diane Sare's campaign poster, noting that she overcame extremely onerous requirements to get on the ballot as an independent "LaRouche candidate" against Schumer.

Ritter then hit Schumer's vile character and criminal behavior in financing a foreign organization that is publishing false and degrading accusations against his own opponent, Diane Sare, in the November election! Ritter notes that Schumer himself once said:

I strongly disagree with those who advocate harassing folks if they don't agree with you. No one should call for the harassment of political opponents. That's not right. That's not American.

## Ritter adds:

I couldn't have said it any better—what Chuck Schumer has done in using U.S. taxpayer money to attack his political opponents is un-American. One can only hope that the New York voters see it the same way come November.

Helga Zepp-LaRouche took note this week that, as a result of the Pelosi provocation against China and the open call for "decoupling" the U.S. and Chinese economies, just as the U.S. and Russian economies are now almost entirely decoupled, there is almost no connection between the U.S. and the two most important nations with which it must come together if there is to be any solution to the now rapidly collapsing western financial system. It is a fact that Russia and China, working with the BRICS and the SCO nations, are formulating a new financial architecture for trade and investment outside of the shrinking sphere of dollar dominance—potentially a step towards a new global structure for all nations. But if the estrangement of the major powers is not resolved, the competing financial systems will only aggravate the division and further lead to war.

The Schiller Institute is targeted by the war-mongers precisely because it is posing the only solution a new Bretton Woods conference which brings the world together to create the required new financial and security architecture for all nations. There are no partial or local solutions. Therefore, fight to get signatures and support for the Schiller Institute's Call for an Ad-Hoc Committee for a New Bretton Woods System. As the coming economic shocks strike the tottering western financial empire, people must have access to this unique solution. This is the moment of truth for humanity.