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## Editorial

### *Whose War Is This?*

Those who are sitting on the sidelines, nervously waiting for war to break out in North Korea or Iran, or hoping that it will not and Democrats will win the November elections, are sorely, perhaps disastrously, missing the point. As Lyndon LaRouche stressed in a memorandum issued Oct. 12, the war is already on. And unless the forces behind the puppet-Vice-President Cheney are defeated *now*, through efforts before the elections, there will soon be no civilization on this planet, for a rather long time to come. We quote LaRouche:

“In other words, the issue is not whether or not Cheney et al. will make use of the option of an ‘October Surprise’ sort of military assault on Iran. Nor is the issue whether Cheney might launch an attack some time after the election. The issue is not one or another possible incident; from the standpoint of Cheney and the forces behind him, the war is already in progress, and will not end until either one side or the other has won, or all succumb to the mutual destruction which the contending parties bring upon themselves. In fact, there is no possibility that the forces associated with Cheney could actually win; they are foredoomed by their own character, their own choice of objectives and courses of action. However, unless we win, civilization as a whole would lose.

“The present war began on the day President Franklin Roosevelt died; our republic’s traditional adversary, the neo-ultramontane imperial Anglo-Dutch Liberal system, declared war against our U.S.A. That war’s plan for destruction of the U.S. Constitutional republic was modeled upon the scheme used by the ancient Delphic Cult of Apollo, for the destruction of the Classical Greek civilization associated with the policies and famous poem of our own republic’s cynosure, Solon of Athens. The leading weapon of that assault was the same employed to induce Pericles’ Athens to destroy itself, the weapon of Sophistry typified by those casualties which we recognize as the Baby-Boomer component of the generation of Americans and Europeans currently found between the ages of about fifty and sixty-five years.

“As Adolf Hitler did, war often begins when the

force prepared to act falls upon a selected victim whose weakness, corruption, or exhaustion leaves them in condition of readiness for their own rout. Despite all the silly lies claiming an Israeli victory in Lebanon, Israel lost because the intended victim was not prepared to be routed. The Bush-Cheney forces have been defeated in Iraq as Napoleon’s forces were defeated in Spain. The Democratic Party lost the elections of 2000 and 2004, not because the poor wretch George W. Bush, Jr., represented anything a sane citizen could vote for, but because a hegemonic element within the Democratic Party was prepared to do nothing as much as lose. Bush won, only because Gore and Lieberman were fit to do nothing but lose, and were, in fact, committed to do precisely what would ensure their own defeat.

“President Franklin Roosevelt led the world to defeat over Hitler, because he was determined to mobilize the efforts needed to assure a victory against a Hitler who had been put into power by the leading bankers of the world, including leading bankers of the U.S. Eastern Establishment. We must learn that lesson, if we are to save our republic, and civilization generally, in face of the enemy behind the role of Cheney et al. today. Europe is not going to provide this leading role; only the U.S.A. could do so, as Franklin Roosevelt rallied allies in Eurasia and the Americas in the past.

“This was not a new kind of warfare against Solon’s Athens or our civilization today. Unfortunately, foolish people see war only when the invading hordes attack in military force, when it is often too late for the victim to mount an effective defense. With the death of Franklin Roosevelt, our republic became the target of a certain grand strategy, of which what we usually call warfare is only one alternative expression. . . .

“The lesson is, that those who go to soothsayers, seeking prophecies, are cowards, who tempt the predators to eat them. We must win this war to save this U.S. Constitutional republic. If we fail, our brave effort will raise the standard of honor around which future generations could rally. If we do not fight so, then our nation will cease to exist, mired in the putrid stench of its own self-inflicted disgrace.”