## **Editorial**

## Guns of August, One Year Later

It was approximately one year ago, on July 27, 2005, that American statesman and Democratic Party leader Lyndon LaRouche issued an international alert covering the period of August 2005, identifying it as the "likely timeframe for Vice President Dick Cheney, with the full collusion of the circles of British Prime Minister Tony Blair, to unleash the recently exposed plans to stage a preemptive tactical nuclear strike against Iran." LaRouche's warning spread like wildfire internationally. It was translated into Arabic, Russian, and many other major languages, and was reprinted widely in both Internet and print publications. LaRouche's Political Action Committee circulated hundreds of thousands of pamphlets, exposing Cheney's Hitler-like plans, and demanding that the Congress, and patriotic citizens, act to stop them.

From one standpoint, you could say that this mobilization was extremely successful. Cheney was unable to activate his plans, due to opposition within the Bush Administration itself, as well as within the military and the broader institution of the Presidency. Yet, today, the danger of the wider war, with or without nuclear weapons, looms larger than ever.

The fundamental point is this: Holding actions are not sufficient in periods of systemic breakdown. The only way that the war danger can be taken off the table, is not only that the chief warmonger, Cheney, be removed from his position of power, but that a positive policy perspective, both economically and strategically, be put in place within the U.S. government.

As we enter August 2006, the Synarchist banking grouping which controls the likes of Dick Cheney, and fascist operatives on the Democratic Party side such as Felix Rohatyn, has, in effect, upped the ante. As one bankers' meeting after another over the past months has attested to, the world financial system is not only in its "last throes," but is on a trajectory for a likely blowout as early as September, and the Synarchists know it.

On the economic/financial side, we can see how this reality is driving them into a frenzy of looting. Mergers and acquisitions (big sharks eating little sharks) are at an all-time high. Speculation and cartelization in the crucial areas of raw materials are hitting a fever pitch, resulting in civilization-threatening shutdowns of productive employment, and devastating hyperinflation. And bubbles—the chief product of the long reign of Ayn Rand fanatic Alan Greenspan at the Federal Reserve—are beginning to burst, starting with the U.S. housing bubble, the hedge funds, and threatening the banks themselves.

But the Synarchists have no assurance that they are going to be able to get away with this rapine without a challenge. They have to keep their operatives in power—and there are two essential ingredients for doing that. One is to disorganize the opposition, so that it has no capability for pulling together an alternative to their fascist economic policies. (Rohatyn's role within the Democratic Party, for example, is of great help to them in this regard.) The second is to create a war frenzy, which can be used to intimidate populations into supporting governments that are committed to cutting their throats.

Hence, the expanded war in Southwest Asia, in which all the players in the area are being used as pawns, in order to spread the chaos. See how quickly the U.S. Congress, including the Senate, was whipped into line on this one, without even stopping to think of the implications for the planet.

The reality is that we are not now *waiting* for a war to begin; the Synarchists have already moved to expand the one they've started, in pursuit of maintaining their control over a global fascist Hell. The only option for those nations, and American patriots, who are willing to face this reality, is to join the LaRouche movement, especially its youth, in *demanding* that the Democratic Party free itself of Synarchist agents like Rohatyn, and in moving for immediate implementation of an FDR-style policy in economic and foreign policy.

After reading LaRouche's discussion with Utah radio host Jack Stockwell in this issue, you will understand why this is your fight, and one that cannot be delayed without danger to all mankind, present and future.

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