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## From the Managing Editor

The man on our cover, U.S. Comptroller General David Walker, is not exactly a face most people would recognize on the street. But Lyndon LaRouche reorganized this issue of *EIR* in order to put a strategic focus on his own counter to Walker's diagnosis of the financial-economic bankruptcy facing the country—which Walker wrongly attributes to the obligation to pay entitlements to the aging population of Baby Boomers. Having thus wrongly identified the nature of the problem, Walker naturally offers the wrong solution (cutting entitlements). LaRouche relocates the matter, in reiterating the absolute and urgent necessity of a New Bretton Woods reorganization of the global financial-monetary system, as per President Franklin D. Roosevelt's initial design. In order for our economy to pay entitlements to anybody, we must first have an economy.

This intervention leads a powerful *Feature* package that includes a dossier on the money-trail behind Al Gore's ramped-up campaign against so-called global warming (and his promotion of his film, the misnamed *An Inconvenient Truth*). An *EIR* investigative task force has put together an amazing picture of Gore's treasonous collaboration with the British Liberal establishment, and the hedge-funds that are drowning the economy in worthless financial paper.

Next comes the full transcript of LaRouche's March 7 webcast from Washington, D.C., which hits hard at the "Gore question." Some people are bothered, or puzzled, by that. "Why are you going after Gore?" LaRouche's answer is clear, and developed at length. In brief, it is because Gore's powerful backers are activating him now, to destroy the emergent pro-FDR tendency in the Democratic Party. If that FDR thrust is thwarted, there is no chance of emerging from the living hell of the past six years of Bush-Cheney; and there will certainly be no chance of impeaching Cheney. The result would be a rapid descent into a Dark Age.

Dr. Zbigniew Jaworowski's contribution to our *Science* section forms an extremely effective counterpoint to the above. He is an internationally renowned expert on climatology, who demolishes the lies about global warming with such thoroughness and polemical force, that it is hard to imagine how the most hard-core greenies could resist his argument. If they were rational, that is.

Susan Welsh

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#### **DUCKING THE ISSUE!**

# David Walker's Sleight of Hand

by Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.

March 9, 2007

GAO Comptroller General David Walker is a straight shooter when it comes to accounting, but at what is he actually shooting?

The entire week-to-date, beginning with CBS-TV on Sunday, March 4, and continuing through the featured account in the *Washington Post* of Friday, March 8, has enjoyed the high-impact appearances of U.S. GAO Comptroller General David Walker's widely circulated sophistry: Walker's presentation of a persuasive, factually precise, but essentially fraudulent representation of the essential economic threat menacing the soon-to-retire U.S. Baby-Boomer generation.

Walker's set-piece, beginning with a March 4 CBS-TV presentation, stated: "What's going on right now is we're spending more money than we can make . . . we're charging to our credit card . . . and expecting our grandchildren to pay for it. . . . The first Baby Boomer will reach 62 and be eligible for early retirement on Social Security on January 1, 2008. They'll be eligible for Medicare three years later. And when these Baby Boomers start retiring *en masse*, then there will be a *tsunami* of spending that could swamp our ship of state if we don't get serious. . . ."

Factually, the hoax permeating Comptroller David Walker's litany is the following.

Walker is nominally right in pointing out that, hypothetically, the U.S. economy is dying, for as long as present trends in national economic policy of the Presidency and Congress are continued into the 2009-2013 term. However, Walker is wrong in fact; actually, the collapse is already here. In short: The situation is even much worse, and the crisis much sooner than Walker indicates. Even without the mass-murderous, "global warming" hoax of London's Blood and Gore enter-

prise, we are already faced, now, with the continuously immediate threat of a general breakdown-crisis of the entire world economy, which, under any continuation of present U.S. policies, will occur long before the November 2008 U.S. general election. It would probably occur even almost now: unless we change our nation's policies, very radically, more or less immediately, unless we discard the curious logic of Comptroller Walker's schematic picture of the situation.

The hoax on which Comptroller Walker's argument is based, has been crafted as a willful fallacy of composition; the hoax lies with his failure to mention the fact, that it has been the post-1968 changes in U.S. policy, especially those begun under the Nixon Administration's pro-Pinochet George Shultz, which have been the entire cause for the presently looming jeopardy of the Baby Boomer crisis to which Walker refers. Walker refuses to tell the truth; he refuses to point to the deep-going changes in policy made, essentially during the 1970s, which sent the U.S. economy from the upward trend still prevalent during the first half of the 1960s, into that presently disastrous downturn set into motion during the 1970s and beyond.

Until the transition, from the "Gulf of Tonkin" hoax, through the international riots of the "68ers," the U.S. economy, together with its system of Federal entitlements, was on a sound basis.

However, essentially, since U.S. President Richard M. Nixon entered office, in January 1969, the U.S. economy has been increasingly mismanaged from the top, with the effect

<sup>1.</sup> Shultz, together with Henry A. Kissinger, and with banker Felix Rohatyn, were the crucial U.S. figures in setting up the Pinochet regime, whereas, according to a documentary film featuring Kissinger personally, Kissinger was key in the U.S. involvement in the death-squad operations run through the Southern Cone as an adjunct to the Pinochet dictatorship.



David Walker's Cassandra warnings about the crisis facing retiring Baby Boomers are a fraud: The crisis is already here, caused by the shift from FDR-style polices on behalf of the general welfare to the post-industrial lunacy of today. Boomers can look forward to a grim old age, like this elderly woman in New York City, unless there is a rapid change in course.

of wrecking that U.S. economy which President Franklin Roosevelt had rescued from the ruinous follies of Presidents Calvin Coolidge and Herbert Hoover, an economy which gave us increasing prosperity, from the low point reached at the moment prior to President Franklin Roosevelt's March 4, 1933 inauguration. This growth continued, on balance, until the 1964 outbreak of the U.S. official war in Indo-China. Changes begun during the period of the 1964-1972 Indo-China War, have willfully wrecked the economy, in net effect, under every Administration, Administration after Administration, under every Presidency, and every session of the U.S. Congress, up to the present day.

Therefore, in a certain sense, David Walker is perversely right in warning, that, under a continuation of the trends set by the U.S. Presidency and Congress, from 1969 through the present day, the inauguration of the next President of the U.S.A., if that event actually occurs, will be the beginning of the self-inflicted, personal ruin of the Baby Boomer generation entering retirement beginning about that time.

However, Walker gives a fraudulent picture of the situation, when he fails to point to the actual cause of the problem: the 1970s shift from a healthy economy, into a post-industrial one. The fraud in Walker's argument, is that he refuses to point out that the cause for the crisis he describes, is the change in direction of U.S. economic policy, from the Franklin Roosevelt direction into the post-industrial lunacy which has been the dominant trend in U.S. policy-shaping since the first inauguration of President Richard M. Nixon.

#### The Post-Industrial Crisis

The fraud in Comptroller Walker's sleight-of-hand account, is located in the fact that it is not the U.S. pension and health-care system which has created this menacing situation; it is the change in direction of U.S. policy-making which has been made, chiefly under the rising influence of the Baby-Boomer generation, away from the policy-making criteria of the Franklin Roosevelt legacy.

Had the U.S. continued the general policy-shaping matrix in effect at the time of President Franklin Roosevelt's most untimely death, even had we continued the already mangled policies of the period until the murder of President John F. Kennedy, the present pension and health-care commitments of the U.S. system could have been met comfortably, in a timely fashion.

This fact should have been obvious to Comptroller Walker. He chose, willfully, to ignore those facts; he committed an implicitly fraudulent fallacy of composition in favor of the trend in policy-shaping associated with the ideology of our present neo-conservative rabble.

So, the motives of the institution on whose behalf Walker has been spreading his particular script for gloom and doom, must remind us of the austerity doctrines of Germany's pre-Hitler Brüning and von Papen regimes, which set the stage, prepared by the Bank of England's tool, Hjalmar Schacht, for the installation of Bank of England Governor Montagu Norman's favorite, Adolf Hitler, as Chancellor of Germany.

In fact, the world at large is presently at the point of crisis, at which the entire world monetary-financial system has already entered a general breakdown-crisis phase. What is currently striking the subprime-mortgage market, is only a foretaste of the general collapse of the world's present world monetary-financial system. The general breakdown-crisis of that present world system is already in progress, and would be inevitably fatal, unless action were taken to put the present world monetary-financial system into reorganization in bankruptcy under a concert of sovereign nation-state governments. Do not speak of stable conditions; the horses are already racing out of the barn.

The crucial difference between the time the present, publicly organized general welfare system was installed, under President Franklin Roosevelt, and, later, today's crisis, is that the character of the U.S. economy was changed, radically,

for the worst. We have been transformed from the world's leading agro-industrial power, a power driven by a science-and-technology-driven, machine-tool-design-powered physical economy, into what former Vice-president Al Gore promotes, as his design for a decadent, pro-malthusian so-called "post-industrial" economy. There lies the entirety of our troubles today.

Thus, the accelerating collapse of the percentile of the total labor-force engaged in technologically progressive physical productivity, per capita and per square kilometer, in agriculture, manufacturing, and scientific, machine-tool, and related professional services to physical economy, has created, among us today, a modern echo of the decadent Roman Italy's post-Second Punic War plunge into bread-and-circuses regimes.

Were the U.S. to reverse course, to return to the principles of economy associated with the fixed-exchange-rate Bretton Woods system, and to a physical economy based upon capital-intensive modes of physical investment, per capita and per square kilometer, in agriculture, manufacturing, and basic economic infrastructure, the danger that social welfare obligations might be exhausted, the danger with which Walker threatens our Baby-Boomer generation, could be, first, brought under control, and then reversed over the medium to long term.

In short, the essential source of threat to delivery of scheduled public benefits to the aging Baby Boomers is entirely a result of the post-industrial, anti-science fanaticism typified by former Vice-President Al Gore of London-based Blood and Gore financial interests, as unleashed by the Baby-Boomer generation itself.

If the Baby-Boomer generation is prepared to give up its ideology, as Al Gore has typified that decadent ideology at its worst, then we could reform the present, crisis-stricken system, to get us through the mess coming down upon the heads of all among us today. If the Boomers could successfully resist such a needed reform, then we face a system which could probably be far worse than that of a next Presidency which refuses to meet general welfare demands; there might be no Presidency either to pay, or to refuse to meet such demands.

In short, the culprit is what the 68ers did in their part in transforming what had been the most powerful economy the world had ever known, into the economic trash-heap the U.S. economy has become today. The problem is not that the general welfare commitments made prior to 1969 were unrealistic; what was unrealistic was the willful destruction, by Baby Boomers and others, of the pre-1969 physical-economic policies on which the payment of those commitments had been predicated. Unfortunately, Senator Eugene McCarthy did not become President, and Bobby Kennedy was murdered; either would have made a crucial difference for our republic's condition today.

It is time to reform, or to sideline Comptroller Walker, or to replace him with someone capable of taking into account the realities of physical, rather than a merely paper economy. We need an honest accounting of the situation, the accounting which Comptroller Walker has attempted, thus far, to obscure.

# London Spreads Blood and Gore

#### by an EIR Investigative Team

On the weekend of Feb. 24-25, 2007, as former Vice President Al Gore was wet-dreaming about his pending Academy Award for his fractured fairy tale "documentary," *An Inconvenient Truth*, about his battle to save the planet from "global warming," TV financial market analyst Jim Cramer was answering a question about the prospect of a Gore Presidential run in 2008, on MSNBC's Chris Matthews' "Hardball." Never one to mince words, Cramer dismissed the idea that Gore would take another stab at Presidential politics: "No," he said. "He's really a hedge fund manager now. No one leaves that game."

Indeed, Cramer was right—at least on the first count. In November 2004, Al Gore and David Blood launched a London-based investment fund, Generation Investment Management, which insiders affectionately refer to as "Blood and Gore"—and not without reason. Blood, the former CEO of Goldman Sachs Asset Management, brought a small team of former Goldman Sachs personnel with him to the London fund, assuming for himself the job of managing director. Gore took on the Chairmanship of Generation, bringing along his long-time Senate chief of staff, campaign manager, and business crony, Peter S. Knight, as another founding partner.

Both Gore and Knight had been involved, from late 2001, with another, U.S.-based investment fund, Metropolitan West Financial LLC ("MetWest"). Gore had been the vice chairman of that Beverly Hills-based fund, run by former associates of convicted junk-bond swindler Michael Milken, and Knight had been the managing director. When Wachovia Bank bought out MetWest several years later, Gore and Knight moved on to bigger and better schemes in London.



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Gore, an environmental crusader, explains away his home electricity consumption, which for one month equals an average household electricity bill for one year, by saying he offsets the costs by purchasing carbon swaps. Here, Al and Tipper Gore are interviewed at the Academy Awards in Hollywood, Feb. 25, 2007.

#### A Crown Agent

But suddenly, on Oct. 30, 2006, Al Gore went back to work for the government: the British government! At a highprofile press conference, releasing a 700-page report on climate change by British government economist Sir Nicholas Stern, British Chancellor of the Exchequer Gordon Brown, the heir-apparent to outgoing Prime Minister Tony Blair, announced that he had "hired" Gore to "advise the British government on climate change." The Stern report on the "economic" consequences of global warming had all the credibility of another 10 Downing Street "policy" document, the now-infamous September 2002 "White Paper" on Iraq's alleged weapons of mass destruction, a phony-baloney piece of MI6 fakery that infamously claimed that Saddam Hussein could launch a WMD attack on the United States within 45 minutes, and that Iraq had illegally obtained tons of yellowcake uranium from Niger. The Blair-sanctioned lies, now so widely discredited, tremendously boosted U.S. Vice President Dick Cheney's march to war in Iraq. The Stern report, over the long run, could have far more deadly consequences than the earlier Blair black propaganda screed on Iraq WMD.

The announcement that the former U.S. Vice President and 2000 Democratic Party Presidential candidate would be taking a job working for a foreign government caused only a minor stir, when word of the appointment crossed the Atlantic. But several important questions are posed by the Gore "hiring."

First, what kind of payment is the former Senator and Veep receiving from Her Majesty's government? Calls to the British Embassy in Washington have so far not been returned. But whether or not Gore is receiving direct financial compensation for his work for the British government, the British government is definitely sinking money into Gore's Inconvenient Truth scam. On Feb. 3, 2007, Reuters reported that the Blair government would distribute copies of the film to all secondary schools in England, as "part of a global warming information pack distributed to schools as the government strongly pushes the message that everyone has a role to play." Reuters added that "Gore, a dedicated climate crusader, has begun a programme of training what he calls climate ambassadors to travel the world" (will these Gore-schooled "green ambassadors" be carrying British diplomatic passports?). The plan to mass distribute An Inconvenient Truth to schools was announced by Environmental Minister David Miliband, another leading British government propagandist for the greenhouse gas hoax, which has been thoroughly exposed in recent issues of EIR (see also the Science feature, in this issue).

The second question, begged by Gore's work for Blair and Brown is: Has the former Vice President properly registerd with the U.S. Department of Justice as an agent of a foreign government, under the U.S. Foreign Agents Registration Act?

#### The Anglo-Dutch 'Slime Mold'

On deeper investigation, it appears that Gore's move to London—first through the Blood and Gore hedge fund, and later through his "hire" as a Blair-Brown advisor—are all part of the same program. And this carries with it the strong stench of insider trading.

Within the City of London and the larger universe of the Anglo-Dutch financier oligarchy, the lines of separation between parliamentary government, the monarchy, and highfinance are blurred. And under all circumstances, the power of private finance trumps "elected" government. The American Constitutional principles of the "general welfare" and "representative self-government" are as alien to the City of London as if they had just landed from Mars.

In the Generation Investment Management (GIM)'s November 2004 press release, announcing the firm's launch, Blood and Gore proclaimed that they believe "social, environmental and geopolitical issues can materially impact a company's ability to sustain returns," promising to "bring together a proven team of equity analysts with leaders from the sustainability research field." GIM promoted itself as a "carbon neutral firm," explaining, "Generation has made a legally binding commitment to purchase Carbon Financial Instruments (CFIs) sufficient to 100% offset the greenhouse gas emissions caused annually by our firm's electricity use and business travel for the period 2005-2010."

In a March 28, 2006 joint op-ed published in the Wall Street Journal, headlined "For People and Planet," Blood and Gore wrote, "we believe that sustainable development will be the primary driver of industrial and economic change over the next 50 years. . . . Over the past five years, we have seen markets begin to incorporate the external cost of carbon dioxide emissions. This is happening through pricing mechanisms (price per ton of carbon dioxide) and government-supported

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Al Gore was photographed arm in arm with top officials of the Russian precious metals looting firm, Golden ADA, in 1994: Golden ADA chief Andrei Kozlenok (right), with (from left) security expert Jack Immendorf, Gore, and ADA officers David and Ashot Shagirian. The photo caused shock at the FBI.

trading platforms such as the European Union Emissions Trading Scheme in Europe. Even without a regulatory framework in the United States, voluntary markets are emerging, such as the Chicago Climate Exchange and state-level initiatives such as the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative. These market mechanisms increasingly enable companies to calculate project returns and capital expenditures decisions with the price of carbon dioxide fully integrated."

One of the central recommendations of the Stern report was to make carbon-swaps and similar greenhouse gas reduction schemes mandatory worldwide. The implementation of this scam is part of Gore's portfolio as Blair and Brown's "advisor" on implementing the climate control agenda.

Brokering and speculating on carbon swaps is also what Generation Investment Management is all about! Blood and Gore intend to get in on the ground floor of what may prove to be the biggest and most bizarre financial bubble ever conjured up by Anglo-Dutch financiers and their fiction writers.

Indeed, the day after Gore's producers received the Academy Award for best documentary film, a minor press flap erupted back in Gore's hometown of Nashville, when the

Tennessee Center for Policy Research reported that Al and his wife Tipper's home electricity bills for one month were equal to the *annual* electricity bills of an average American household. One of the key recommendations in Gore's *An Inconvenient Truth?* For households to reduce their electicity consumption! Gore's response to the accusation that he was a big fat hypocrite, was to explain that he was offsetting the costs by purchasing carbon swaps. A little bit of digging revealed that Gore was, indeed purchasing carbon offset instruments—from his own Generation fund!

#### The Queen's Pawn

The idea that Gore should show up in London, running a hedge fund, and working as a propagandist for Her Majesty's

## 'An Inconvenient Truth': British Global Psy-Ops

Gore's 2006 docudrama, *An Inconvenient Truth*, along with his bestseller book version, his speaking tours, "presenter" training sessions, July 2007 Live Earth concerts, and other hyperactivity, reflect no sudden upwelling of public concern about the condition of Earth, but one of the most extensive propaganda campaigns in history. After its U.S. debut in May 2006, *An Inconvenient Truth* was released in 35 countries, with personal appearances by Gore, and now is being peddled for use in schools and churches. With its Academy Award Oscar, the film is simply the most visible part of a series of psychological operations and political moves coordinated by financial interests based in Britain, with intent to deceive and control.

The whole Gore operation is run through what could be called the "British Command Center," involving a tight relationship between Prime Minister Tony Blair, Chancellor of the Exchequer Gordon Brown, and retired eBay billionaire Jeff S. Skoll, chairman of Participant Productions, and the moneybags behind the Gore movie. Through the Skoll Centre for Social Entrepreneurship at Oxford University, one finds the intersection point of the following operations: Hollywood and the Academy Awards; the British government and the future Prime Ministership of Gordon Brown; and the "Blood and Gore" hedge fund in London, Generation Investment Management.

In April 2006, Skoll featured David Blood and Al Gore, of Gore's London-based investment company, as the superstars of "climate change economics," at his annual Skoll World Forum. Then on Nov. 16, 2006, Skoll's

Green Revolution and the City of London's latest speculative bubble, should not come as a great surprise to anyone who has followed the former Vice President's career—or his family pedigree.

Not only is Al Gore the most outspoken proponent of radical Malthusian population reduction on the American political landscape, mirroring Prince Philip's own call for the reduction of world population by 80%. Over the years, Gore has been caught up in a string of British anti-American propaganda schemes, and in virtually every instance, somebody close to Gore has swindled somebody else out of a large amount of money.

Typical of this Gore/British chicanery was the then-Vice President's role in a nasty insider trading and consumer-fraud

scheme, cooked up by a group of Gore allies, including his long-time mentor Maurice Strong, the Canadian-born guru of Earth Day and the Rio de Janeiro Earth Summit, who is a top figure in Prince Philip's and the late Prince Bernhard's 1001 Club, a tax-exempt cash pool feeding the Worldwide Fund for Nature (WWF) and other environmental and Malthusian fronts, created by the Anglo-Dutch oligarchy. The 1,001 members of the Club represent some of the leading players in the Anglo-Dutch financier oligarchy, who co-mingle with some of the world's most notorious swindlers.

On Earth Day, April 17, 1995, Vice President Gore travelled to Fall River, Massachusetts, to deliver a green sermon at the headquarters of Molten Metal Technology, Inc., a firm that proclaimed to have invented a process for recycling met-

Centre released its new book, at a reception at No. 11 Downing Street, following an event marking Social Enterprise Day hosted by Gordon Brown; Hilary Armstrong, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster; and Ed Milliband, Minister for the Third Sector.

Such high-level Empire cheerleaders are desperatedly needed, considering the content of Gore's film: lies and scientific frauds.

The film asserts that Earth's temperatures are increasing; that this results from excessive production of "greenhouse gases," principally carbon dioxide; and that this in turn results from excessive activity of the human population, growing too fast. On all counts, this is a scientific fraud (see *Science* section, in this issue). First, any readings of localized warming, when seen in terms of variations in the Sun's radiation, and in terms of long-range orbital dynamics, do not amount to "overheating," but fall into far longer cycles.

Second, the claim that there is an increase in carbon dioxide is unfounded. Gore's data are based on unreliable ice core samples, and ignore readings over the past 150 years, in which carbon dioxide concentrations were higher than at present.

As for his conclusions, that economic activity and population must be selectively curbed to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> and other emissions, this just proves the point of the whole fraud. Besides terrorizing people about the Earth melting down, drowning polar bears, and flooding cities, the point of the film's backers is to enforce controls and reductions in economic activity and undermine nation-states.

The same week that the film was released in Britain in September, *The Economist* of Sept. 9-15, 2006 carried a cover feature, "The Heat Is On: A Special Report on Climate Change." Asserting that, "Global warming, it now seems, is for real," *The Economist* called for support for "carbon markets," to buy and sell emissions alotments,

such as the European Emissions-Trading Scheme (ETS). That month, Gore toured Australia and then spoke in New York City, calling for retrofitting even private homes to reduce emissions. He called for a Carbon Neutral Mortgage Association.

In tandem with the Gore roadshow, in October 2006, a global warming report, commissioned by the Blair government was released by Sir Nicholas Stern, consultant to Blair. The same month, Gore was hired as an advisor to the British government, by Gordon Brown. Then in January 2007, a select group was formed in the United States to bash Congress on global warming, named the United States Climate Action Partnership (USCAP). Calling for a "mandatory economy-wide, market-driven approach" to deal with emissions, the group includes British Petroleum and Lehman Brothers. In February, Stern and other British advocates briefed Congress on how to legislate emissions controls; members of USCAP did likewise; and Gore is scheduled to testify on March 21 to the Senate and two House Committees.

Skoll is continuing to push the lies of *An Inconvenient Truth*, through the Skoll Foundation, created in 1999, and through the Skoll Centre for Social Entrepreneurship at Oxford University, which serves the interests of select high finance, transnational entities, behind a facade of such cynical rhetoric as favoring "social change," and "microloans," in situations where "existing economic and political structures have failed or are under-developed." In other words, anything except independent, nation-building economic policies.

At the end of Gore's film, the "think small" outlook is promoted in the list of "choices you can make" as a concerned citizen. You can change to energy saving light bulbs, drive less, recycle more, "help our farmers grow alcohol fuels," plant a tree, but especially, "insist America freeze CO<sub>2</sub> emissions."—*Marcia Merry Baker* 

als from waste. Gore praised the Molten Metal firm as a pioneer in the kind of innovative technology that can save the environment, and make money for investors at the same time.

Gore left a few facts out of his speech that day. First, the firm was run by Strong and a group of Gore intimates, including Peter Knight, the firm's registered lobbyist, and Gore's former top Senate aide. Second, the company had received more than \$25 million in U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) research and development grants, but had failed to prove that the technology worked on a commercial scale. The company would go on to receive another \$8 million in Federal taxpayers' cash, at that point, its only source of revenue.

With Al Gore's Earth Day promo as a Wall Street calling card, Molten Metal's stock value soared to \$35 a share, a range it maintained through October 1996. But along the way,

### The 'Greening' of Jeb Bush

Accompanying George Bush on his visit to Brazil on March 8-9 is brother Jeb, former governor of Florida. As a member of the "Ethanol General Staff," set up by the White House earlier this year to oversee a U.S.-Brazil ethanol partnership, Jeb's job is to foster cooperation between the two countries' private sectors.

The former governor is not new to the green game. He began lobbying for a U.S. ethanol partnership with Brazil and other Ibero-American countries as early as 2005, and wrote brother George in April 2006, urging him to lift the 54¢-per-gallon tariff on imported Brazilian ethanol, supposedly to help the U.S. lessen its dependence on foreign oil. But sources have told *EIR* that the White House may lift the tariff because the Bush family itself intends to jump into the ethanol business. Jeb will be a major player in this, and reportedly already has plans to invest in ethanol plants in Peru and Colombia.

In August 2006, George Bush named former State Department official Brian Dean, then head of the "Florida-Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA)" public-private partnership which promoted hemispheric free trade, to lead a delegation to Brazil for talks on ethanol cooperation. Dean is now executive director of the Inter-American Ethanol Commission (IEC), founded by Jeb in December 2006, to expand the ethanol scam, emphasizing the private sector role. Since the FTAA never materialized, the President has said that a biofuel alliance with Ibero-America can "serve as a catalyst to remove barriers to free trade within the region."

—Cynthia Rush

DOE scientists had balked at further funding. When, in March 1996, corporate officers concluded that the Federal cash cow was about to run dry, they took action: Between that date and October 1996, seven corporate officers—including Maurice Strong—sold off \$15.3 million in personal shares in the company, at top market value. On Oct. 20, 1996—a Sunday—the company issued a press release, announcing for the first time, that DOE funding would be vastly scaled back, and reported the bad news on a conference call with stock brokers.

On Monday, the stock plunged by 49%, soon landing at \$5 a share. By early 1997, furious stockholders had filed a class action suit against the company and its directors. Ironically, one of the class action lawyers had tangled with Maurice Strong in another insider trading case, involving a Swiss company called AZL Resources, chaired by Strong, who was also a lead shareholder. The AZL case closely mirrored Molten Metal, and in the end, Strong and the other AZL partners agreed to pay \$5 million to dodge a jury verdict, when eyewitness evidence surfaced of Strong's role in scamming the value of the company stock up into the stratosphere, before selling it off.

#### Golden ADA

Gore's tenure as Vice President was marked by two actions, both emblematic of his loyalty to an anti-American foreign oligarchy. First, he teamed up with Sen. Joseph Lieberman (D-Conn.) in August and September of 1998, to attempt a coup d'état against President Bill Clinton. While the ostensible basis for the effort to convince President Clinton to resign from office was the Monica Lewinsky scandal, the real reason for the ambush was that the Anglo-Dutch financial circles who pull Gore's chain feared that Clinton, and his Treasury Secretary Bob Rubin, were about to implement a "new global financial architecture," in the face of a global financial meltdown that started in Asia in 1997, and had spread, by August 1998, to Russia, with Moscow's default on its short-term, high-interest government bonds (GKOs).

Since January 1997, even before the outbreak of the Asia crisis, Lyndon LaRouche had launched a campaign to get President Clinton to convene a New Bretton Woods conference, to put the global financial system through an orderly bankruptcy reorganization and restore Franklin Roosevelt's 1944 Bretton Woods system of fixed exchange rates.

Gore demonstrated where he stood on the issue on Aug. 17, 1998, when—behind President Clinton's back—he convened a White House meeting with a veritable "Who's Who" of Wall Street speculators, many of whom had already ponied up big bucks to Friends of Albert Gore, Jr., Inc. The speculators schemed with Gore to bail out the international financiers, who stood to lose their shirts in the looming Russian default (the Russians had just frozen payments on the GKOs); they included George Soros, John Tisch, Steven Rattner, Lionel Pincus, Maurice Greenberg, Orin Kraemer, and David Shaw.

Gore further intervened into the Russian crisis, pressing





Is Al Gore (shown here in Hallowe'en gear) vying for an award as best-dressed hedgefund swindler? Gore and David Blood have launched a new London-based investment fund referred to by insiders as "Blood and Gore."

President Boris Yeltsin to reappoint former Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin. After a series of calls to Moscow, to Chernomyrdin and Yeltsin, the Russian President did rename Gore's crony, but the nomination was blocked, twice, by the Duma, Russia's lower house of parliament.

Al Gore's relationship to Chernomyrdin epitomized the "mafiya" cronyism and outright betrayal of American national interests that are Gore's hallmark. The most stunning example of Gore's corruption centered on the case of Golden ADA, one of the most notorious looting schemes against post-Soviet Russia during the entire Yeltsin decade of oligarchical rape of the former superpower.

In 1994, Gore was photographed at a Democratic Party fundraiser, arm in arm with a top official of the Russian precious metals firm, Golden ADA. The appearance of the photograph set off alarm bells at the FBI, because Golden ADA was, at the time, the target of a joint U.S.-Russian criminal probe into diamond and precious metals theft, and money laundering. It was credibly feared that the Vice President would intercede to quash the probe—which is exactly what happened.

Golden ADA was set up in 1992 by a top Yeltsin crony, Yevgeni Bychkov, who had been named to head Russia's State Committee on Precious Metals and Gems. Bychkov, in league with a group of top Russian "reformers," including Chernomyrdin, Yegor Gaidar, Boris Fyodorov, and Anatoli Chubais, had set up Golden ADA as a vehicle for shipping tons of diamonds, precious metals, and art objects to the United States for sale on the international market. According to Russian news accounts, the Golden ADA project had been discussed between Vice President Gore and Russian Prime Minister Chernomyrdin during regular meetings of their Joint

Commission on Economic and Technological Cooperation ("The Gore-Chernomyrdin Commission"). Golden ADA boss Andrei Kozlenok was also linked to Chernomyrdin directly, according to Russian news accounts.

U.S. Customs investigators, the FBI, and their Russian counterparts linked Golden ADA to Russian mafiya assassinations, massive theft of diamonds and other priceless commodities, money laundering, and a string of lesser crimes. Vice President Gore was, at one point, briefed, along with the National Security Council, on the Golden ADA probe. Around the same time, the CIA provided a dossier to Gore, documenting billions of dollars in theft of Russian state property by Chernomyrdin, in league with the mafiya. Gore sent back the dossier with "barnyard epithets" scrawled across the cover. The CIA concluded that the Vice President had no interest in any

further actions against the Russian oligarchy.

On Nov. 8, 1995, the IRS raided the San Francisco offices of Golden ADA and seized all of the company's bank accounts and other assets—much to the chagrin of the FBI, which was working with Russian officials on the higher levels of the mafiya operation. The Russian government would eventually charge that Golden ADA officials stole at least \$400 million in Russian state assets. Civil litigations would continue for years, with one attorney involved in the case complaining that "everybody that was ever involved in this whole thing is dead, fled, or has taken the Fifth."

As for Al Gore, affiliating with Anglo-Russian mafiya networks runs in the family. Father, Albert V. Gore, Sr., who preceded Junior as the U.S. Senator from Tennessee, was virtually an indentured servant to Armand Hammer, the notorious Anglo-Soviet Trust wheeler-dealer, whose pharmaceutical and petroleum deals with the Soviet government financed Communist Party and Soviet intelligence operations in the United States and Europe for decades. Even before Gore, Sr. lost his Senate seat and went to work full-time for Hammer's Occidental Petroleum, Hammer would pat his wallet every time Gore Sr. was in his presence, signaling those around him that Gore was "in his pocket."

For Al Gore, Jr., the ownership-of-choice is the City of London and the British Crown, whose radical Malthusian outlook, hatred of the nation-state system, and loathing of the idea of human creativity and progress, are his own.

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# Implications of the Gore Hoax For International Policy

Here is an edited transcript of Lyndon LaRouche's keynote address to a LaRouche PAC webcast from Washington, D.C. on March 7, 2007. He was introduced by Lawrence Freeman, and the subsequent open discussion was moderated by LaRouche's East Coast spokeswoman, Debra Freeman. (Subheads have been added.)

Lawrence Freeman: Good afternoon ladies and gentlemen. We'd like to welcome you to this international webcast event, featuring physical economist and international statesman Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr. We'd like to welcome the audience here in Washington, D.C., that managed to make it through the snow on the way to this event. And by way of introduction, I'll simply tell you that Mr. Al Gore is not very happy with Mr. LaRouche. And I will leave it to Mr. LaRouche to fill you in, as to why that's the case.

**LaRouche:** Thank you. You have perhaps noted that global warming has struck Washington, hard. Since Gore began talking about this nonsense, the weather has gone cold all over North America: We've had record storms in the Midwest; we have a record low temperature right now at Washington, D.C., for this time of year. So, everything seems to be saying, God seems to saying, "Gore is wrong!"

And he is wrong. But he's professional about it. He's professional about it.

Now, to situate the current situation—Gore's only a minor part of it—we're now gripped by the greatest financial collapse globally in modern world history. It's under way. It's like a landslide. It's coming on: It's started; it's not going to stop.

Now, these are not mechanical events. You can not predict a date of a depression generally, and this is worse than a depression; this is a breakdown crisis. Because there are many factors of human will which can intervene to change the date. But the condition under which a breakdown will occur, can be foreseen in a certain approximate time frame. We have now entered the time frame, where a general breakdown of the world financial-economic system is now inevitable.

That does not mean the situation's hopeless. It does mean that the situation's hopeless, *unless*, certain measures are taken to prevent the breakdown from continuing.

Now, the solution is to reorganize the planet, because we have a situation in which the entire international financial-

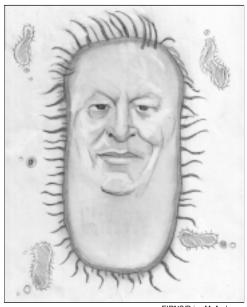
monetary system is hopelessly bankrupt. There are, really, no independent banks left in the United States, for example, and a similar situation exists in Europe. The banking system of every part of the world, especially Europe and the Americas, is bankrupt.

Now, a bankruptcy is an interesting phenomenon, because at any point, under natural law, a government can declare its financial system to be bankrupt, and under law put the system into receivership for management. You can say, that foreclosures will not occur; that payments on pensions will continue, things of that sort; that credit will be available from the government for needed purposes, to keep the economy functioning, and for other purposes. So the bankruptcy of a financial system is not in itself an inevitable catastrophe. It may be a catastrophe for some of the bankers. But it's not necessarily a catastrophe for a nation: If the nation uses the sovereign powers of government, to deal with the problem, the worst effects of a bankruptcy can be averted, and time can be given for reconstruction to build back a self-sufficient economy all over again.

#### The Queen and the Cayman Islands

Right now, the amount of indebtedness outstanding is greater than ever could be repaid, so the system is hopelessly bankrupt. There is no independent bank in the United States. What's happened: Well, the Queen of England is controlling the world financial system, because the biggest factor in international affairs involves hedge funds and similar kinds of things which are controlled from a set of islands in the Caribbean, where the cayman crocodiles are out there, to eat you. And this island, which is wholly owned by the Queen of England, is the world headquarters for the financial speculation which is going worldwide: the Cayman Islands. There are a few other islands which also function similarly, including the Isle of Man in England. The key banking institution of record in this is the Bank of Scotland and Halifax, which is the British royal family's personal, favorite bank.

But the British monarchy controls the world financial banking system. The U.S. banks, including your major banks in the United States, are now in a subsidiary situation relative to this crisis. It is the Cayman Islands and similar kinds of institutions associated with hedge funds, which are controlling the international monetary-financial system. There's *no* 





"The Anglo-Dutch Liberal crowd is precisely what Al Gore works for, and has always worked for." Queen Elizabeth II is controlling the financial system! She owns the Cayman Islands, center of the world hedge funds trade. Her consort, Prince Philip, once expressed the wish to be reincarnated as a virus, so as to promote the reduction of the world's population. Al Gore (left) is of a similar mind.

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possible way, that you could have a bankruptcy now, without a general collapse of the world economy as well as the United States banking system: except, that the government intervenes, to take precautionary actions, to put the system into receivership for reorganization, and that is the only way that we can get through this.

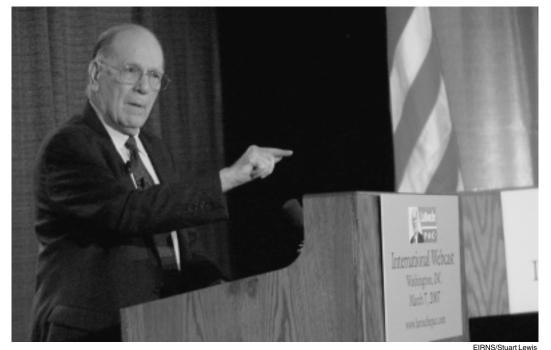
Now what we're going to have to do, is the following: This means we're going to have to replace the current President of the United States. We're going to have send the Vice President to places where he belongs. Mr. Libby may have suggestions on that point. To have a President, because our system does not function without a President, and we don't have a functional President on the premises. We have a dummy—worse than a dummy, a mean-spirited dummy, who has no comprehension of anything. And therefore, we require Presidential action, with the support of the Congress, to take the measures which are protectionist measures to save the American System itself from a disintegration process, which is already under way. I'll explain what this phenomenon is, in due course, but first give you the outline of what we're up against.

#### The Greenspan Bubble

What's happened, essentially, is that in 1987, in October of 1987, the United States experienced a depression, a Wall Street depression, parallel, exactly, to October-November 1929. At that point, the head of the Federal Reserve System was being replaced by Alan Greenspan, who was nominated to come in. Alan Greenspan said, "Hold everything, until I get in there. I'm going to fix it." What Greenspan did, was to create what is really an illegal form of money, through the Federal Reserve System, through credit, and used things like Fannie Mae, mortgages and mortgage-based securities, and things like that, to finance inflationary financing of the U.S. and world economy. This was followed up by the exploitation



If the cayman crocodile doesn't eat you, the financial speculators on the Islands will.



"We need serious politics back in the United States again," said Lyndon LaRouche, "away from the childish games which you've seen in the Congress lately. We have some very good people, they're very capable people, but they're held back by this factor. And Gore typifies that factor."

of the collapse of the Soviet system, where the British and the United States together connived, and looted Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union for some years. This helped to stave off the depression.

The mortgage bubble buildup in the United States, together with what's called the Y2K bubble—that is, the so-called "fix the computer systems" by investing in the computer market—in 1999-2000 this thing came to an end. It was no longer going to to work. But they kept it going. What they came into, was phony types of mortgages, which became the subprime mortgage market: That is, people were investing in taking loans out, mortgages out, for acquisition of properties when they had essentially no equity in the property.

So, this was piled on as a new mortgage influx, to sustain the system. The Y2K bubble had collapsed in the Spring of 2000. The mortgage bubble built up on the basis of conventional mortgages from Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and so forth, this had reached a point of virtual saturation, relative to the requirements of the economy to keep it going. So, various things were added, the subprime market—then they went into the wildest of all gambling, which is the hedge fund type of gambling, which is actually a way of moving in, grabbing assets, looting the assets, destroying the company you take over, and moving on to the next one. The amount of debt that is built up in the system, is so great, there's no scheduling of repayment of the debt which could get us safely out of bankruptcy, *global bankruptcy*.

Under these conditions, you have a hopelessly bankrupt system, which is based largely on the Japanese yen, the overnight borrowing of the yen and similar kinds of things, which are used to feed the banks—but not the regular banks here, not the regular banks of the world, but to feed special banking institutions which are engaged in this wild-eyed speculation. And it all goes through the Queen of England's own nest, centered on the Cayman Islands, which is the real command headquarters of international finance today. This is ready to blow. And the breakdown of the subprime mortgage market, which is the front end of the capitulation of the entire mortgage bubble in the United States: Imagine a collapse of mortgage values, or titles, from \$700,000 to \$200,000 and less. That's the kind of situation which is building up, not far from here in Northern Virginia, as in Loudoun County; building up elsewhere. We're at the end of the game.

#### We're Coming to the End of the Road

Now, look at the Gore problem in that connection. Where's the Congress? The Congress is engaged in two great swindles. Swindle #1, biofuels. There's no possible way that this biofuels swindle could work. Because what the system requires—it consumes, actually, in raw, caloric terms, the production of this fuel produces less fuel in terms of power, than it consumes. In other words, there's no net gain from so-called biofuels. It's also an idiotic thing to do, because what biofuels means is *reducing food!* It means going into corn production for fuels, at a loss; that is, you get less power out of the fuel than you put into making it! This would mean destruction of the landscape, destruction of the entire economy, mass starvation around the world. It would destroy whole areas of food producing. Idiocy!

Then they come up with another thing, which Gore came up with—and this tells you something about the character of government these days: In 2001, we began to go into a world

war. We got into the war, because the President of the United States lied. The Vice President of the United States lied. The Prime Minister of the United Kingdom lied. The United Kingdom's Prime Minister lied by causing the death of [David] Kelly, who had exposed the fraud of his lies—in order to get the lies through, and protect the lies, Kelly died. Joe Wilson was sacrificed here, for similar reasons: to cover up the lie, that the President had made—had lied! The Vice President had lied. Others had lied.

But above all, Blair, Tony Blair, the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, had lied.

So, we're now in a maelstrom mess, in Southwest Asia, and elsewhere. We're losing the U.S. military. We still have naval forces and we still have an aircraft capability, but in terms of ground forces, we're losing it. We're losing the U.S. Army, we're losing the Marines and so forth. The scandal about Walter Reed Hospital, the lack of care for veterans returning from the combat in Southwest Asia, is typical. We are *destroying* the U.S. military. We are destroying the U.S. economy. The only part of the economy that's working significantly, is that which is being used to *loot* the U.S. government for the military production and operations, which are done under a civilian heading, rather than a military heading.

We're coming to the end of the road. There is no growth. Every part of Western and Central Europe is collapsing. The United Kingdom's basic economy is collapsing. The U.S. internal economy is physically collapsing. And you have this kind of situation: We have a global depression. But worse than a depression, because this means it's a breakdown crisis. It doesn't mean that you go for a period of unemployment and so forth. This means a genuine breakdown crisis, from which civilization would not spontaneously recover.

#### Where the Solution Lies

Now, there's a solution for this: The solution lies in the use of great political power. That doesn't mean dictatorship, it means a cooperation of groups of nations which represent great power. There are four such nations on this planet. One is still the United States, and the United States is key to orchestrating any remedy for the collapsing financial system, because we have the technology, built into our Constitution, for dealing with a crisis like this. It's worse than Roosevelt faced, but the same approach will work.

We have Russia, a major nation. China, with over 1.3 billion people, is a major nation. India with over 1 billion people is a major nation. If these four nations agree to support, in concert, a remedial action for the state of the world economy, and the state of world peace, it will happen. Because with that array of power, other nations will join that combination, and we will have a combination for recovery of the world's economy.

You have, for example, a mood in India: India wishes to have a large-scale development of thorium-based nuclear reactors, to provide what is needed for India. China is moving in that direction. Russia is moving in that direction. France is thinking of moving in that direction. Italy is thinking of moving in that direction. Poland is thinking about getting into nuclear power now, and so forth and so on. Because, without nuclear fission power, there's no possibility of survival of civilization.

Take the case of southern India, for example: typical problem. Southern India is depleted of water—a whole group of combinations in the post-war period helped to create this situation. Actually, the average temperature in southern India has risen significantly, as a result of the cutting down of the trees, which are used for fuel for cooking. Also, the southern part of India is in dire straits because of a lack of water. It has been drawing on fossil water reserves, in large degree, and the fossil water reserves are not being replaced. Now therefore, if you have—and India has a large stock of thorium—if you have the thorium high-temperature gas-cooled reactor model, in orders from 100 MW to 900 MW, you can in India, bespeckle the landscape with nuclear power, in order to do desalination, on a large scale. And nuclear power is the only efficient method of desalination. At a lower energy-flux-density, you can not efficiently, economically, desalinate on a large scale.

China is going to have to do the same thing. Around the world, we have a freshwater shortage, especially for human consumption and related consumption. For example, the Ogallala Aquifer in the Western United States is subsiding, sinking. Whole sections of the country that used to be prosperous, in terms of food production, are now dead, becoming arid, becoming deserts. We can, with nuclear power, we can economically increase the supply of freshwater, through desalination. We can also, by the same methods, we can produce synthetic fuels, from water, through nuclear power, which are called hydrogen-based fuels. Hydrogen-based fuels are the most efficient chemical fuels in existences. We can use them, produce them regionally and locally. We do not have to import oil; we do not have to use inferior methods of production.

So, that's a major industry. We also have a raw materials management problem. We have sufficient raw material assets on this planet available to us, to meet human requirements, for an expanding population. *But!* We must manage this. This requires the development of what we call an isotope economy. Which means moving toward controlled thermonuclear fusion as a source of management of these mineral resources. And it's not just a matter of quantity; we could get the quantity—the oceans are full of minerals; the greatest amount of the mineral resources of the planet are located in the oceans. But that's not the most efficient place to get them from. And therefore, we must think about the cost, the relative physical cost, of maintaining supplies of needed raw materials. And we're at the point where we could synthesize isotopes of a type that otherwise do not exist freely in nature, of the type we require. As a matter of fact, already one of the biggest by products of fission products, is the development of isotopes



India is depleted of water, a crucial factor in keeping its population in misery. Here, slum-dwellers do their washing in what little water they can find. The solution is ready at hand: nuclear desalination!

which are used in medicine.

So, these are the kinds of things we have to do.

We move in that direction. We move away from a post-industrial society, back to an agricultural and industrial society. We move into building large-scale infrastructure, to transform the land areas of the world, into fruitful ones. We have, for example, in this area around Washington, you have whole parts of the United States that used to be agricultural areas, that used to be industrial areas: like the Midwest, like the states of Michigan, Ohio, Indiana. These states are now becoming destitute. They used to be the prime source of agricultural production and industrial production.

What happens? The people move away. Whole parts of the nation, the Western states and so forth, are becoming desert areas, in terms of economy.

So therefore, we have to rebuild the national economy. And we have to cooperate with other nations of the world, in building a system, a treaty system to create a new monetary system in order to organize credit over a 50-year period to come, which will meet these objectives.

#### **Insanity of the Baby Boomers**

That's the only realistic answer. The other things that you're getting, like the Gore thing—why is Gore's policy tolerated in maybe one-third or more of the members of this Congress, right now? Why? It's a form of insanity. But it's a form of insanity which is a mark of the times, it's a mark of the culture. You had, in the course of the 1980s and 1990s, the leadership of our economy which was dominated into that period by people of my generation. Those people went out of the economy. They died out, they retired, they lost skills, went out of production. And gradually, the key positions of power were occupied by people in the Baby-Boomer class.

Now, "Baby Boomer" is not an age-group. A Baby Boomer is characteristic of a certain age-group, but a certain membership in that age-group. And that is, the so-called "white-collar class": the people who were born, usually into white-collar-oriented culture, between 1945 and 1956, between the end of World War II and the 1957 Recession, which came as a shock. And the 1957 Recession, which came '57 through '61 and so forth, was a cultural shock, for that entire generation.

And this is the generation with the white-collar mentality. If you went back to the 1950s and you would look at things like Dr. Spock (the book, that is): how to raise a baby, how to turn a baby into a monster. And you had the white-collar syndrome. Look at the books of the time, *The Organization Man, White Collar*, and so forth—these books, social studies on the cultural changes that were occurring in the minds of a whole section of little kiddies, of that period. These little kiddies became the 68er generation. They were the ones who went to the leading colleges, to the best opportunities on the universities—and what did they do? They took their clothes off, they had strange sex with animals and things like that, or whatever it was they did to amuse themselves; as one thing after another became boring, "try another one"! I think several sexes were invented during this period of time!

So this generation was actually comparable, because of the way it was influenced, by calculation, in Western and Central Europe, and in the United States, and to some degree South and Central America, they were conditioned to be a replica of what was done under the Cult of Dionysus, in ancient Greek civilization, which is the source of sophistry: Destroy the society, destroy the culture, destroy the cities. As a matter of fact, in the 1966-68 period, you had professors who specialized in this aspect of history, who were organizing the most radical so-called "left" of that period, which actually was the most "right" of that period, also—these were the terrorist generation—and organizing them around the idea of terrorism, on the doctrine of the ancient Cult of Dionysus. For example, you had people organized around the Gaea cult. The

Gaea cult is the mother-version of the Dionysian cult. And we had a whole generation of our people, systemically, through television, through mass media, through educational programs, who were conditioned to become a special generation which has no compassion—these are not the blue-collar population, but the white-collar—no compassion for their antecedents, and no compassion for their descendants. Absolutely unique in U.S. history, in European cultural history.

Every generation, prior to that, took pride in the sacrifice or other things they did, for the sake of their children's and grandchildren's betterment. Every generation thought of the care for its parents' generation. Every generation thought of two generations back—typical were the American immigrants, who came from Italy or other places, who came to the United States, as poor immigrants; got off the boat, went into places like Brooklyn, which were the receiving areas for these great influxes through Ellis Island; and within two generations, people who had come into the United States as poor people, were doctors, scientists, and so forth, of that generation. The American ideal of the melting pot, was not simply the melting pot idea, it was the idea that you bring people in, they come into the United States, seeking opportunity; they work their way up, they sacrifice for their children, their grandchildren; their grandchildren are usually their pride. And their pride, the fact that they'd made these sacrifices, in their personal life, in order to ensure that they produced a generation which would achieve, two generations ahead.

This was the American ideal. This was the American ideal from the time my first ancestors came to this country, in the second quarter of the 17th Century. From that point on, always the idea was to build a nation, and to build the people in it: to increase the freedom, the skill, the power of the individual in society. To give meaning to life today, because of the future that you're bringing forth by raising children and grand-children and whatnot, and the changes you're making.

#### Paradigm-Shift After FDR's Death

So what happened was, in the post-war period, people who hated Franklin Roosevelt, who took over the country, by and large, almost on the moment of his death, joined up with Churchill and said, "We're not going to let the world be run by the United States. We're not going to let Franklin Roosevelt's ideal for the post-war period be realized. We're going to *not* decolonize!" And they *didn't* decolonize! The Japanese soldiers who had been put into internment camps in Vietnam, were taken out of the prison camps and given their weapons back by the British—to *recolonize* Indo-China! And the Netherlands Indies: A freedom movement existed and established itself by resistance against the Japanese during that period. The Dutch, the Anglo-Dutch moved in, with U.S. backing, to conduct a long war of suppression and denial of freedom, to a group of people who had already had their freedom!

This is the same thing around the world: Where the promise had been, with Roosevelt, to *free* the people of the world,

to create a community of nations, which would cooperate with one another, for the common interest of freedom, but also to preserve the culture of those nations! And to keep the power and control over the culture of those nations *within* the people of that culture! That was Roosevelt's commitment, in places, for example as in Morocco, where he confronted Churchill on this question.

So what happened? The Churchill crowd, and what he represented in Britain, together with the scoundrels in the United States, when Roosevelt died, what did they do? They told Truman about the nuclear weapons. Roosevelt had not told Truman, the Vice President, about the nuclear weapons at that time, the President didn't tell the Vice President such things. He was just sitting there and waiting. So, what Churchill insisted upon, with the advice of Lord Russell, Bertrand Russell, was to use the weapons—nuclear weapons, we had only two, they were both prototypes; one was a uranium prototype, the other was a plutonium prototype: two weapons. We dropped the only two nuclear weapons we had—or were to have for some time to come—on two civilian populations: Hiroshima and Nagasaki. The purpose of that, was to inform the world, that the Anglo-Americans were going to use nuclear weapons to intimidate the world, as Russell himself said publicly, to intimidate the world into accepting world government. To eliminate the nation-state as an institution and establish a system of world government.

#### A World Empire

Now the intention to do that, in a different way, exists today, centered in the United Kingdom, and in people inside the United States and elsewhere, who share that kind of mentality. The intention is to eliminate the idea of the nation-state on this planet, and if nation-states were allowed, they will be simply administrative units, under world government: called globalization. To destroy the power of production in presently industrialized nations, and to move industry and disperse it through former colonial nations, underdeveloped nations, of poor people, as we see oppressed now.

The intention is, to destroy what the United States represented. To establish a kind of world empire, which in some features resembles what the medieval period was, when you had Venetian bankers and Norman Crusaders, with their little killing operations running the world, to return to that kind of system. This is what, explicitly, George Shultz proposes! This is explicitly what Felix Rohatyn proposes! This is explicitly what Cheney proposed, when he was Secretary of Defense, and what he's proposed, and implemented as Vice President of the United States. *This is the policy!* 

And, sitting in London, are the people who are behind the Cayman Islands operation—which is the center of world economy, today, which is about to blow up!—there's the problem. Whereas, if those nations which believe that every people has a right to sovereignty of its nation, true sovereignty, and it's cooperation among sovereign nation-states

that must run the planet, not some power, not some superpower, then we have a chance. If you have the United States, Russia, China, and India *agree on that*, despite whatever differences they have on other questions, if they agree on that, we can unite the world to stop this nonsense. It's our only chance at this point. And we are running out of time.

#### The Purpose Is To Destroy the United States

Now, what Gore represents is simply that.

Look, as I said, look what happened, in this thing in Southwest Asia. Why are we in a war, a continuing war in Southwest Asia? Why did somebody want to do that, and why'd they keep doing it? We've got two aspects to it: Number 1: Because, the purpose was, among other things, to destroy the United States. See, the United States was, even at that point, a great power. In terms of aerial, military power, its other, naval power, we were the tops in the world. But! You couldn't destroy the United States from outside at that point—but you could destroy it from inside. And we were being destroyed from inside: That was the mission of George W. Bush. How do you destroy us from the inside? Get us involved, as we were involved in the 1960s. How were we destroyed in the 1960s? Well, they killed Kennedy. And that was not by some guy called Oswald. Kennedy had become a pain, a threat to many people in the Anglo-American Establishment, and he was eliminated. That simple.

Everybody was terrified.

Because he was killed, we went ahead with the Vietnam, Indo-China War, which he was going to pull us out of. What did it do, the war, from 1964, the end of '64 through '72? It destroyed the United States to a large degree, internally. It coincided with the 68er eruption, and those considerations destroyed the United States, as it had been.

On that basis, the banking system, the international banking system, the fixed-exchanged-rate system, collapsed. With some help from London, through George Shultz, collapsed. We were destroyed from the inside!

We were sent into a ruinous war! The same way that ancient Greece, ancient Athens was destroyed by going into wars it shouldn't have gone into! Committing crimes against the people of the island of Melos, and other crimes. And you had the Peloponnesian War, which *destroyed* Greek civilization as a power—*forever!* since that time.

That's how you do it. Get your victim into a war, in which he ruins himself—and then move in on him. What's happening to us? We went into a war in Southwest Asia, which we had no business getting into. There was no reason to do that; there was no problem that required military action by the United States. It required cleverness, it required diplomacy. It required resolution, imagination. But war was not the solution. There were many things we could have done to deal with the situation. But that was not a situation which required war. We were brought into a war, where there were no grounds for war! The grounds were what? Regime change! Saddam

Hussein never had superweapons, in this period, none! The idea he did was a lie! The President of the United States lied! The Vice President of the United States lied! The Prime Minister of Great Britain was the biggest liar of them all.

We went into a war which ruined the United States, by being drawn into a protracted war which has cost us *billions*. Not millions, but billions; not hundreds of millions, but *billions*. It's bleeding the United States to death. It is destroying the U.S. military on the ground. It's a crime against humanity. We were induced to do it, to destroy ourselves! By what? By agents. What agents? Agents of Blair. And agents, who are our President and Vice President and their accomplices.

Who else helped to do it? Well, the members of the Congress, the members of the Senate. The members of the Senate were Baby Boomers. And they *knew* this was a lie! They could smell it being a lie! They refused to challenge it! They authorized what had never been authorized before in U.S. Constitutional history, and let Bush have the handle on starting a war—actually Cheney. The lack of *guts*, the lack of integrity, on the part of the members of the Democratic and Republican parties in the Senate, *made possible the means by which we as a nation were being destroyed—from the inside!*—by protracted foreign wars. And anyone who's studied military history knows this: The way to destroy your enemy, is to get him involved in a useless war, a protracted war! And then, he will destroy himself.

But who is the victim in this case? The United States. Who is the intended victor? The United Kingdom. The Anglo-Dutch Liberal crowd: Which is precisely what Al Gore works for, and has always worked for.

#### **Blood and Gore**

I've read his proposals, Gore's proposals from this crazy book he wrote. The thing is clinically insane. The only thing that takes away from the aura of clinical insanity, is lying. But if you take Gore's lies and his clinical insanity together, you've got the whole package. There's nothing he says, in his principal theses in that book, which is true. Everything he says, in his principal theses, is a lie.

The way this thing was set into motion—it was not set into motion from the United States. Gore is not a creature of the United States: He's a representative of a firm called "Blood and Gore"—actually that's the name of the firm! That is his firm! His firm is a British firm. controlled by the British monarchy, and tied to the people who run the operation out of the Cayman Islands. Which is being run through the Bank of Scotland and Halifax, and similar kinds of institutions.

#### The Problem of Sophistry

So, you have the world's great financial bubble, the financial derivatives bubble, the thing that is ruining and looting all the banks in the United States, everything, being run chiefly, through the Queen of England's authority, through her tributory, the Cayman Islands. And probably 60-70% of



The war in Southeast Asia is bleeding the United States to death, costing billions of dollars, while destroying the U.S. military on the ground. Here, a nurse cares for a soldier at Walter Reed Hospital, who was injured in Afghanistan.

the banking interests of the United States is being run through that thing. That's what Gore is working for! He's sort of the Aaron Burr—sort of lame-brained Aaron Burr—of our time. He's a traitor! In effect, he's a traitor.

But the thing is, what's wrong with our people? What's wrong with our members of the Senate, our members of the House of Representatives, that that they can't *see* this? We're being betrayed! We're being sold out! We're being doomed. And these idiots can't see it?

Why can't they see it? Because they're Baby Boomers.

See, the morality in every culture, whatever its morality, is a devotion of the living person, who has a sense of humanity to two things: to those who came before them, and those who will come after them. This is especially in the family itself, the parents, the children, the grandchildren. This is the elementary basis of morality in society. Your purpose in life is what you're doing with your life. And you think in terms of fulfilling a promise to your ancestors and fulfilling a promise to your descendants. That's the simple basis of humanity. It's what defines the human individual as immortal: that we live, we die in the flesh; but the means of our existence, the reason for our existence, exists in our devotion to those who came before us, and devotion to those who come after us.

What happened is, with the influence of sophistry, which was introduced in the generation born between 1945 and 1956, in the United States, that particular generation which became the campus-based Baby-Boomer generation of Europe and the United States in the 1960s, that generation has lost, through sophistry, the connection to a sense of moral responsibility to ancestor and for descendants. I mean, why

should a soldier die, in battle, for his nation—unless he's just a killer—unless he sees an immortal purpose in the risk he's taking? Saying, that "If I die, my mission will be fulfilled." And the mission of life, is what morality is.

And the problem is, our people in the Congress do not have that strength—oh, some do. But by and large, at least one-third of the members of Congress do not have that. Republicans, Democrats alike, it's the same thing. Expressed in different ways, it doesn't mean much. Some people have a sense of morality, and some don't.

And the way society works, is that people who have a strong sense of morality must work together, as a cohesive force for that morality, and try to bring the moral weaklings in their tow, to inspire them, to move them. And that is forbidden, in a sense, in this Baby-Boomer culture. You're supposed to "go along with popular opinion." You're supposed to listen to what the neighbors are thinking! You have to think about this kind of thing. You will become an opportunist. You no longer have a commitment to principle, you don't believe in principle: You believe in advantage, and disadvantage.

And that's what's happened to us.

The problem before us, then, the practical problem, is the following. I'm probably the world's best economic forecaster alive, today. That's been the case, since about 1957-58, to the present time. I have never made a forecast which was wrong, though I've had a lot of problems with people insisting, "are you predicting this?" I say, "I don't predict. Forecasting is not predicting." Because human beings are creatures of will, and therefore, they will operate on the basis of their will, and they can change the course of events, more or less. But there are

certain boundaries to their ability to change the course of events. These boundaries are called principles, like principles of science, principles of nature. And at some point, you have to change the principles on which you're operating, by bringing in new principles, in order to solve the problem.

#### What Makes Us Human?

Now, the nature of humanity is unlike the lemurs of Madagascar—Gore is probably a descendant of them. That, human being are distinguished from animals, we change our behavior. No animal species can change its behavior. They can adjust their behavior, but they can't change the range of their behavior in principle. It's limited in a sense, biologically.

The biggest change you can make in animal life, is by adopting one as a pet, or taming it. Then the animal will tend

to adapt to the human being, and will look at the human being as some kind of a master figure in the herd, or whatever. You see this in dogs, if you have pet dogs, families with pet dogs. The way the various dogs, cats, and so forth adapt to the people, and how the dogs, cats, and so forth sense a hierarchy among the people. And they have their favorite people, and they will take their favorite people as number-one dog, huh? That's what they do. If you've had dogs in your family life, you know this. They scheme—they scheme on that, they invent stories for you and so forth. So, they're not unimportant, and not unlovable, but they're not human.

The human being is capable of doing one thing, which Al Gore could never do: make a legitimate discovery in scientific principle. And mankind, by discovering principles, as we've seen in human progress, is able to introduce new factors into the behavior of the universe. And thus, we're a human species—at most, we would be, just as an animal species, not capable of doing more than reaching a level of several million population, at any one time. We'd have about the same species potential as higher apes, like chimpanzees, if we're just looking at ourselves biologically. But human beings have something else: They have the power of discovery of principles. And therefore, by these powers of discovery of principles, in various way, human beings change the culture of mankind in a way that no animal species can do, and thus, in this way, mankind has achieved a population in excess of 6 billion people on this planet today, as opposed to merely a million if we were a species of ape.

This is our character: Our character is the power to make discoveries, of principle; the power of creativity, the power to change the conditions of life in the universe. This sort of



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An iceberg in Gerlache Strait, Antarctica. The global warmers talk about the Arctic ice receding, but pay no attention to "the other end," the Antarctic—which is expanding!

thing. This is what makes us human. This is what makes us, in a sense, immortal, because we're capable of doing this. We can discover a principle, and that principle will live on, once it's discovered and circulated, and will affect generations yet to come. No animal can do that. We can do that.

So what you need, therefore, is an emphasis in society on development of the individual, as a sovereign individual, whose sovereignty is defined by their ability to discover something with their own powers of mind, which is a contribution to human knowledge, either as a principle or an implementation of that principle, and to pass that on to others, and thus shape the future of mankind by one's own contributions to mankind. And the relationship among human beings who do that, is a loving relationship. Because what somebody else discovers is to your advantage, or it's to the advantage of you in the sense of society. And therefore, you're in a happy society—like children in a happy school. There have been such things as happy schools! Where the children are actually discovering things, and reenacting the act of discovery, and of sharing the joy of making that discovery with one another. This is a normal, healthy relationship in society, as opposed to a dog-eat-dog kind of society. And that's what we can provide.

But we have to take, at this point, in my estimation, we have to take the fact that our leadership right now, in general, in the Congress, while there are many good people there, overall, the Congressional leadership is a failure. Because the members of the Congress who are willing to move, and disposed to move forward on these issues, are held back by the way the institution is crafted to suppress that which does not follow the "party line." And the "party line" is deadly. And

the "party line" now in the Democratic Party, the Democratic Party is crippled right now, by Gore! There's nothing which is more deadly to the Democratic Party than the presence of Gore in it! Blood and Gore! It's a name, but it's what you get as a result.

And thus, they're crippled, because people will not stand up for the truth. They will say, "You can not attack Gore, because he's popular." I say, "I attack him, because he's a liar! If you think he's popular, that's *your fault*, not mine!"

He is a liar! Everything he said on this question of global warming, is a lie!

#### The Science of Climate Change

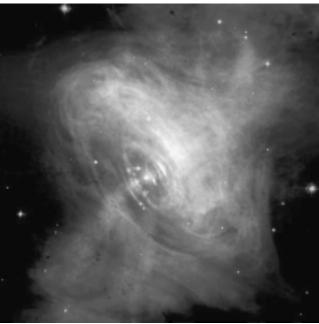
For example: There has been a certain warming of the planet during the recent period. That's coming to an end. What was the warming of the planet caused by, CO<sub>2</sub>? *No!* CO<sub>2</sub> had *no* effect on increasing the temperature of the climate. None. Say differently, it's a lie!

What warmed the planet? The Sun! Ya dumb bunny! The Sun—during the recent decade, there has been an increase of the intensity of solar radiation, impinging upon the Earth. This has raised the average temperature. The result is, you have—because of the way this worked, the Arctic ice is tending to recede, whereas the Antarctic ice is building up. So, they talk about the Arctic ice receding, and they're worried about the *polar bears!* Any of you guys wanna sleep with a polar bear? And they pay no attention to the other end, the Antarctic ("oh, that's the Southern part").

The whole thing is that. We also are dealing with many other questions of this type. Like for example, China observed this years ago: There was a phenomenon of a supernova, which was recognized from Earth, of course, many years after the supernova actually occurred. It was observed in China. And this phenomenon was what later became known as the Crab Nebula, which you can see. All the astronomical charts will give you this kind of information.

Now, some friends of ours in Germany, physicists, reported to us in the late 1980s, that the results of these observations were made by a phased-array observatory in the area of Germany near Denmark. And they determined that the cosmic ray radiation was coming focussed from the area of the Crab Nebula. And they checked with a smaller phased-array in England, where they hand a similar kind of result. So the cosmic ray wave invasion of the Earth, which is periodic, and very interesting, has a very significant effect on some things that occur in the environment, in the atmosphere. And so, this is also a factor. Because this kind of thing can cause more clouding, and more clouding can affect the temperature level on Earth. It also can change the chemistry of the atmosphere somewhat, because very high-energy particles hitting atoms in the atmosphere will produce some interesting effects, and may be significant cumulatively.

So there are all kinds of factors which have to be considered. There also are long-term cycles in the Solar System,



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The Crab Nebula emits cosmic rays which have a significant effect on developments in the Earth's atmosphere. Weather and climate on Earth are a cosmic phenomenon, not the result of man's industrial activity, as Gore claims.

itself, which will tend to determine this kind of phenomenon. But when Al Gore says, "CO<sub>2</sub> is causing global warming," the man is a liar. And the people who support him as scientists are prostitutes. Because, anyone who studies the data that's available, knows this is the case! There's no doubt of this. The evidence is clear. How can you ignore observations that were actually made over several centuries, on CO<sub>2</sub> concentrates in the atmosphere, ever since the 17th Century? How can you ignore that?

There has been no recent increase in  $CO_2$ . The so-called ice [core] studies are a complete fraud. Because the older glacial ice gets, the more the  $CO_2$  vanishes from it. Therefore, you take old ice, it has less  $CO_2$  because it's old ice. Gore turns the thing around, and says, since there's less  $CO_2$  in the old ice, that means that  $CO_2$  is increasing in the atmosphere. Complete fraud! Complete fraud.

But people want to believe it! Because it's the approved thing to do. You get a grant for it, you get people lined up for it. And the thing is organized *not* from inside the United States, it's organized from outside the United States.

#### **Environmentalism Is Genocide**

Now, I'll give you one very nasty fact about this, which some people have noted before: If you go back to the 1920s—and I was around then, y'know! I picked up some information about this then, but also later on—you had a fellow called [Averell] Harriman. And Harriman was a guy who was one

of the leading funders of Adolf Hitler's rise to power in Germany. He was an American. He had a guy that worked for him, called Bush, Prescott Bush. And Prescott Bush was the guy who wrote the order that moved the money into Hitler's coffers, in time to get Hitler nominated as the Chancellor of Germany. Well, Harriman was also involved in certain kinds of racialist studies—"eugenics," it was called then. And the eugenics studies of Harriman and company, and Morgan and so forth in the New York crowd, were the studies which were used by the Nazis, for their program of mass murder.

Now, at the end of the war, Hitler warn't so popular any more. He'd lost. People don't like to be associated with a loser. So they decided to change the name of the game. And the name of the game is called, today, "environmentalism." The intent of environmentalism, and the practice that was the result from it, is genocide used against masses of the human population. That's the intention. And if you look at the studies that were done in Austria, with the relevant accomplices—and in Russia, also, as well as in London—the intent to reduce the population of the planet, selectively.

For example: Henry Kissinger, 1974-75, is still on the payroll as National Security Advisor. And before he gave up that position, to remain just Secretary of State, he wrote a proposal on Africa, for depopulation of Africa. Genocide. That policy, which he enunciated then, which other people picked up on, are continuing with genocide against Africa. What you see as genocide, in Africa, is a product of that policy, onto which Henry Kissinger, among others, signed. That's the reality of this. The ugly reality.

#### **We Need Some Serious Politics**

So, my job is to worry. I know what the solutions are, the feasible solutions. I know what has to be done. And it has to come, in large part, from the United States. It has to come from my friends, the clowns on Capitol Hill, and some of them are not clowns, but from the clownish collection who tend to *go along* with something! Go along to get along! And against their own conscience! They go against their own conscience, in order to be "in" on it. "Well, we've agreed . . . I've got to go along with the party." And that's what happens. You get one-third of the Congress, at least one-third of the Democratic members of Congress, are tied into Gore! They believe in Gore! They should believe in God, instead. But therefore, on that basis, they become a factor—"to have *party unity*" among these clowns!

You say, "Why don't you read the Old Testament, about Gideon's Army, or something. It's about time for one of those things to come along, now."

The problem is the failure of people to stand up as men, to stand up for what's right, to stand up for what they know they have to do. That's where the problem lies. And the failure to have the guts to stand up, even if you're one person sometimes, is what the problem is, right now,

We have the situation, we have the world crisis: Humanity

is in jeopardy. The solutions exist: Do we mobilize for those things, or do we allow Al Gore and his admirers to stand in our way, when the fate of humanity's at stake?

We need serious politics back in the United States, again, away from the childish games which you've seen in the Congress lately. We have some very good people, they're very capable people, but they're held back by this factor. And Gore typifies that factor.

Gore was among those who lied. Like his buddy, his close buddy, Tony Blair, the Prime Minister of England, who was key in creating the Iraq/Southwest Asia mess for the United States. Lied, like Cheney. Lied, like President Bush. Lied like others.

Why do you complain about Cheney? Why do you complain about Bush? Why do you complain about some of the others, when you don't complain about Gore?

#### Dialogue With LaRouche

**Debra Freeman:** Thank you, Lyn. Well, we have a series of questions that were submitted while Lyn was speaking. As you might guess, some of the questions actually, while they address important issues, chose to avoid the central question that Lyn addressed, and that was particularly the case from the questions that were submitted from people here in Washington. However, a few brave souls decided to address the question directly, and I think we can start with those questions.

#### Why 'Scientists' Lie

The first question comes from a Democratic Senate Committee: "Mr. LaRouche, your staff knows that this office is no particular friend of Al Gore, nor do we think that global warming is the greatest priority to be addressed, given all the immediate dangers and crises that we face as a nation. However, I still don't see how you can take the position that it's a complete hoax. If you separate the issue itself from Al Gore, and how he might wish to use it, the fact is, that over at least the last decade, I have seen and heard one reputable scientist after another, express views ranging from concern to alarm about this very question. They also have provided a mountain of evidence. Now, are you asking us to accept that they are all wrong? These are scientists, they are not people with a political agenda. Presuming that they aren't completely incompetent, and perhaps you think they are incompetent, but if we presume that they're not incompetent—and if you do think so, say so—but if not, what could possibly motivate them to lie?"

And the reason why I'm starting with this question, Lyn, is—as you can imagine—variations of it have come from at least a dozen offices on Capitol Hill, and I think that the LaRouche Youth Movement (LYM) members who have been doing this work can attest to that.



The LYM distributes a pamphlet at UCLA in October 2006, exposing Lynne Cheney's "gestapo" operation on U.S. campuses. Students and professors who don't agree with the Bush-Cheney line are targetted for harassment.

LaRouche: We've had a chance to look at some of these arguments from so-called scientists. Some of them have scientific credentials, but their moral credentials are in question. This is a time—if you look at what's going on at the campuses, for example, you get an insight into this thing. Take the case of the wife of Cheney—or maybe he's the wife, I don't know—with her organization, ACTA, which is functioning as a gestapo on the campuses. And if you look at the phenomenon of this gestapo on the campuses, run by Lynne Cheney, which has been in place in the United States since about 1987, when she's been active in this area, you see the degree to which the scientists on campuses are victims of terror. Now, these scientists on campuses tend not to be the strongest types in the world. Also, they happen to be of a generation called the Baby Boomer generation, by and large. And most of the scientists who speak up against this openly, are of an older generation—mine or slightly younger. We look at the facts of the matter, and study what the arguments and the premises are that these guys make, and from a scientific standpoint, it is immediately obvious that what they are saying is a fake. They may be accredited as this or that, but you also have another factor which you've got to take into account. The ones who are marched up to tell you this, and support this, are lying. They don't give a damn what the truth is; they're in there to lie. Their careers, their bonuses, their book publication, their speaking engagements here and there, their positions on faculties, whether they're fired or not. And if you look at the terror that is being run on the campuses right now by Lynne Cheney's organization, which is also Joe Lieberman's organization, and what they're doing, you have

a Nazi-like operation running under Lynne Cheney on these campuses today. And it affects the professors as well as it does the students, probably more the professors, who in a sense are more vulnerable than the students. And careers are based on kissing the butt of what Lynne Cheney's crowd demands.

So, you do not have honesty. I have been through this myself with a lot of experience; that's probably because I'm better experienced than most of you are in the Congress, that I understand this. I know what fakery is in the United States justice; what fakery is in the leadership of political parties, including the Democratic Party and the Republican Party. The corruption from the top is beyond belief. And every one of us who is involved in this process, in or outside of the Congress and the committees, knows it.

But the question they ask is, "How can we stand up to this, with all this prestige behind these lies? How can we deny the lies? Don't you realize how *prestigious* the lies are?" How can you protest against that? Sophistry! Sophistry! Sophistry! And it's those of us who can stand up to this sophistry and say, "We demand the truth. Now, let's ask you some questions, Mr. So-Called Scientist. Let's ask you the following question: What do you think of the ice bores? You say the ice bores are valuable? What kind of a faker are you, Mr. Expert?" They're not; the test proof is, they're not reliable. Anybody who uses these things is a liar, or an incompetent. CO<sub>2</sub> is *not* a determinant of global warming. Water will tend to have more effect on global warming; CO<sub>2</sub> is fractional.

So, the simple scientific evidence, if you look at it from the standpoint of scientific evidence, rather than the sophistry

of hearing what people—so and so comes in, decorated with such and such credentials. Well, who sent him? Whose butt is he kissing? You have to take a hard view of these matters. This is a fraud; I stand by it's a fraud, and if you don't like it, you can go to Hell!

#### A Concern About Nuclear Power

**Freeman:** In light of that answer, I'd like to give the questioner from San Francisco, who said that LaRouche's representatives on the San Francisco University campus were giving him a bad name, the opportunity to change his question.

Lyn, the next question also is from the Senate Democratic leadership. And the question is a brief one. He says: "Mr. LaRouche, I've long been an advocate of nuclear power, although I'm a stronger advocate of nuclear power inside the United States than outside the United States, just because of security concerns. However, in the recent period, while I still support the development of nuclear power, I have more reservations about it than I have had in the past; largely because I have concerns about the manner in which public utilities in the U.S. are maintained and operated. I can't ignore this question when it comes before me, and I'm just wondering what your view is of this, since it's an immediate question that we have to deal with, particularly in light of the overall crisis of energy in the U.S. right now."

LaRouche: Oh, yes, I shall deal with that. The first thing is, that the concern is legitimate, in the sense that public utilities should be federally controlled, or federally and state controlled, as appropriate controls are required. The privatization of public utilities sometimes creates a crisis, a security crisis, because they are marching to a different drummer. Our proper concern, in public utilities like health care, or the military and so forth—in matters which are of general public interest—is that the security and well-being of the nation is the foremost concern, not profitability of the company. And if the company's not too profitable and we need it, we'll help it. But therefore, in this area, as we know from experience, that nuclear power is very powerful stuff, and therefore, it has to be administered and controlled in a responsible way.

Sometimes, private interests cut corners, so therefore, you have to have a very efficient Federal oversight. There was a determination in an earlier period, prior to the developments of the 1970s, to do just exactly that. There were also conflicting interests. We need the nuclear power absolutely. There is no chance of getting humanity safely through the challenges ahead without nuclear power.

Now, nuclear power today means specifically, high-temperature gas-cooled reactor equivalent; the most efficient and the safest. We also have the type which was used by the Jülich model, which was developed in Germany, which is the ball form of that, the carbonized ball form, which is largely in the 200-MW range, is self-regulating; that is, when the temperature rises, it shuts down the level of activity of the reactor,

and therefore, it becomes self-regulating in terms of its level of activity. It's also much more convenient in terms of reprocessing, that sort of thing.

One of the big problems we had in the United States, with nuclear power, is the lack of reprocessing, and this is the result of the anti-nuclear lobby, which prevented the reprocessing from occurring. And you have people running around like little kids, saying, "What about the waste? What about the nuclear waste?" Well, go talk to your Congressman about that. Why wasn't the reprocessing done? Why were the impediments put in the way of the reprocessing? The intention on the part of the industry and the scientists involved, in dealing with nuclear energy and its application to public use, was always a very strong concern for everything that should be a matter of concern, every area. And as long as you had dedicated public servants, who were in this area of supervising the security of this operation, there was no significant danger. Because they generally would tend to look at the dark side of every problem, which is what you do with all security questions. You look for the worst possible case, and you try to prevent the worst possible case. And if you are able to work to prevent that, you figure you've done the job. And generally, that's been the case. But there's been sabotage, however, politically motivated sabotage of nuclear reactors, as occurred in the case of Three Mile Island, which had a significant effect on U.S. policy. But that was a sabotage job, done by powerful agencies who preferred to remain unknown.

So, I agree totally with it: that we must have an efficient system of Federal and state regulation of the operation of nuclear power facilities. We must have it. The standards have been established in earlier times, they can be improved and enhanced, but we need the power desperately, and therefore the point is to establish the Federal authority—again—needed to deal with the thing, and to work it out with other authorities, the programs that are needed to deal with this very *legitimate* concern.

#### **Anglo-Dutch Liberalism: A Slime Mold**

**Freeman:** The next question was submitted by Sue Daniels, who is the secretary-treasurer of the Texas Central Labor Council, and former vice president. She is currently an officer of the Coalition of Labor Union Women, and she submitted this question after reading the latest issue of *Executive Intelligence Review*. She said, "Lyn, I have two questions after reviewing this issue. One is, who actually makes up this Anglo-Dutch group that you refer to? And secondly, how does this group intend to control the means of human existence?"

**LaRouche:** Well, first of all, this is an old story, and this is one of those cases, where to really understand the problem, you have to look at European history in general. Now, European history, as we know it, as history, really is after Homer; it comes essentially about the 7th Century B.C., when the Egyptians, who were coming out of a dark age themselves, sponsored two groups in the Mediterranean, as naval forces

to assist them in protecting them against the evil forces in the Mediterranean at the time. One was the Ionian seamen, coming out of Ionia, as Greek seamen, and they were functioning largely as traders and pirates. And so, they became an effective naval force which was to combat the forces of Tyre in the eastern Mediterranean. In the western Mediterranean, the Egyptians reached out in about 700 B.C., to their friends in Italy, who were the Etruscans. And the Etruscans were a branch of the Hittite culture, which had been established on the island of Elba, and established a center of iron traffic. From about 1600 B.C. on, the Hittites had been the only users of iron as a weapon and as a material of use.

So, this was the basis for the development of an independent culture typified by Solon of Athens and typified by the Pythagoreans, and by Plato and so forth and so on. And again, the enemy was the cult of Apollo at Delphi. Now, to get the picture, you look at the cult of Apollo, the temple area, which is the cult of Gaea, and this is in an area which is next to a seaport area. The seaport area was the center of maritime trade throughout the Mediterranean for this population. You look at the temple, the temple was surrounded by little temples, which represent the treasuries of the various city-states participating in this arrangement with the cult of Apollo. What they were doing was, they were running a loan-sharking operation throughout the Mediterranean. And this became the model in that culture for the development of what later became the Roman Empire system, what became the Byzantine system, what became the Venetian system of the Venetian oligarchs and their Norman chivalry crusaders, who were conducting slaughter at that time.

Now, with the collapse, in the 14th Century, of the Venetian system of that time, the so-called *ultramontane* system, you had the rise of European civilization, European form, with the Council of Florence in the 15th Century. You had a reaction against this by the Venetians, who, in a sense, organized the overthrow of Byzantium over Constantinople, to break up the organization which had been created around the Council of Florence. This was again done by the Venetians. So the Venetians came back.

In 1492, for example, you had the launching of slaughter of Jews and others, especially the expulsion of Jews, the slaughter and so forth, in 1492, by the Grand Inquisitor, Tomás de Torquemada, and an attempt to bring back the old feudal system, which had been run under the direction of the Venetian bankers. This didn't work; it caused all kinds of hell, but it didn't work as a system for reasons given by Machiavelli, for example, in his writings on these questions. So, you had a new system that was set up in the 16th Century, under the leadership of one called Paolo Sarpi, who was the leader of a different faction of Venice, which made a Venetian reform. What they introduced is called liberalism today, Anglo-Dutch Liberalism, which is the idea that you are allowed to practice innovation, as long as you don't discover any scientific reason for it. The point was to prevent the development of a society



Brunellesci's dome on the Cathedral of Florence was built in the 15th Century, one of the high points of the Renaissance. The Venetians vowed to destroy what had been achieved at the ecumenical Council of Florence which took place there in 1438-39.

based on knowledge of this type, scientific knowledge and practice, but to allow a certain amount of innovation, so that your country, your force, would not fall behind in technology, with your rival force on the other side.

Now, this system went through various evolutions in the course of the 17th Century, and became known, with William of Orange's seizure, coup d'état, in London, as the Anglo-Dutch Liberal system. The Anglo-Dutch Liberal system is the Anglo-Dutch Liberal version of the old Venetian oligarchical system. So, what you have today, particularly since 1763, with the Treaty of Paris of 1763, you have the British East India Company, and its successor as an empire, the British monarchy, later on. This system was established as a system of bankers, of loan sharks, which is operating above the level of governments, financing governments and controlling governments.

So this is like a slime mold; you've probably seen slime molds, they exist all over the place. And a slime mold goes

through a phase where it seems to be a uniform slime, and then at another point, it takes the form of individualities standing up in the middle of the slime, as individualities. That's what that does, and that's what the system is. So you have a system throughout the world now, which is centered nominally in Anglo-Dutch liberalism, the Dutch and the British financial system. Nominally, it's under the King or Queen of England, but in point of fact, it *controls* the King and Queen of England, or whatever. What it is, it's a concert of private banking interests like a slime mold, which, in concert—while they're cutting each other's throats in competition, and so forth—work to try to impose their system on the world.

And what happened in the 1960s into the 1970s, as a result of the weakening of the United States through the protracted war in Indo-China, from London, there was an operation set into motion, beginning 1964 under Harold Wilson. This operation brought down the U.S. dollar in several phases, and resulted in the '68er operation, which caused chaos in the political system. So that operation in 1971-72: You have a change to a floating-exchange-rate monetary system. Which meant at that point, that the fixed-exchange-rate system, which had been set up under Roosevelt, was now effectively nullified. And you now had a floating-exchange-rate system which was established between 1971 and '72, between the action of Nixon in August of 1971, and the action of Shultz at the Azores Conference of 1972—a floating-exchange-rate system.

So, what you have, therefore, is a system of private financier interests, who are organized in the form of a slime mold, very much like the old Venetian system of the medieval period, but with some differences. This slime mold uses political institutions that it controls, as an instrument of its policy. For example, you have two characters in the United States who are controlling the Democratic Party, to some degree—George Soros and Felix Rohatyn. Felix Rohatyn would be called in European terminology a fascist, or a Nazi. That is, he is a product of the same interests in France, which were slime mold-type interests, which in effect helped to put Hitler into power in France in the period of World War II. They came to the United States—he is a product of this—and he functions in the United States exactly like those people who brought the Nazis into power in France before. And Soros functions from a different base, over a similar thing, and is characterized by his drug operations.

Rohatyn and Soros are powerful interests inside the Democratic Party, and tend to shape Democratic Party policies. Because they say, they become the exemplars: "We control the money. You want funding for your campaign? You want this? You want good favors from us? You have to kiss our butt!" And that's the way it works, and that's the way the system works. There is a sense of a process, like a slime mold, creeping across this planet, suffocating humanity, destroying the sovereignty of nations, destroying the welfare of nations;

a pestilence, like a plague, which has to be uprooted. And the way to uproot it is to put the system into bankruptcy. It is now bankrupt; reform it under control of a system of governments.

#### Schwarzenegger's New Environmentalism

Freeman: The next question is a composite of several questions that have come in from the West Coast. And it's a question that's emerged out there with the passage of something called the "Global Warming Solutions Act," but I'm raising it at this point in the agenda, because it gets at a question which is being asked by many people, including state legislators and Members of Congress. And the question is: "Mr. LaRouche, California has passed a bill, which was signed by Governor Schwarzenegger, called the 'Global Warming Solutions Act,' whose intent is to cut statewide gas emissions by 25% by the year 2020. The problem is that it also includes the cutting out of the burning of fossil fuels because of the carbon dioxide question. And my concern is that this move will impinge on industrial development. However, it's also impossible to argue with the overall problem of air quality, of smog, etc., in the state of California. So my question is, how do we actually address this question without stopping growth and development?"

**LaRouche:** The problem is, that Schwarzenegger and Al Gore are part of the same package; that's the problem. There is no real difference between them. I think probably Schwarzenegger is better at weightlifting, and Gore is more good at throwing a certain substance. So essentially, it's a fake; it's a fake of the same type as Al Gore. Schwarzenegger is a hard-Gore man.

All right, well, here, the issue is very simple: Why do we have to burn things, combustion? What we burn is most often something that is produced by living processes, as a residue of living processes. We went from wood, to charcoal, to coal, to coke, and so forth and so on, in the history of modern Europe; actually, from the 15th Century on, this was the general tendency in power.

We are now in the age of nuclear power, and anyone with brains wants nuclear power. First of all, because it means you eliminate a lot of the transportation problem, and transportation of fuel is a tremendous cost. Therefore, what do you do? Well, with nuclear power, you say, we're going to have an integrated program. And you take the entire United States map to begin with; take that map. We have several problems—we have transportation, water, and power. And power comes in various forms: We have nuclear power, but we also then, with high-temperature gas-cooled reactors, we can make synthetic hydrogen-based fuels. Now, if you can make synthetic hydrogen-based fuels in a region of the country, you don't have to import gasoline, etc., oil from far distant places. You will have produced your fuel, and you know what? Guess what happens when you have a hydrogen-based fuel? When it burns, you get water, which is not exactly a pollutant.

In the meantime, we have a major problem in the United States, as in California, of subsidence, as a result of drawing down fossil reserves of water. The southern part of California, the same thing, a terrible problem. Therefore, we say, we are now in a time, where a *sane society* will rely heavily on nuclear fission as a power source. We will try to get it integrated. We will build mass transportation to replace highway transportation. We can make very efficient mass transportation, very quiet, very efficient, by these means. So we will do everything possible to make a society which is a livable society, by using a high energy-flux-density source of power to do that. And we are going to look at the totality.

You see, we've gone through a period where the philosophy of life was, that you lived off the land, and in net effect, to one degree or another, you lived by depleting the land. You depleted the minerals in the soil by crop growing; you wore things down; you made things stink. All these kinds of things. So now, we have to realize we can not exploit natural resources; we have to replenish the resources that we are destroying, or we are using up, and that replenishing resources becomes now a part of the cost of production. With a sufficiently efficient, high-density-power system, you can do that. And our objective *should* be doing that.

The problem in California is, California was destroyed, in part by Enron. Enron did more to destroy California than anything else—and the effects of that. And Schwarzenegger made a fortune out of that. So therefore, the point is, we have to repair the damage that Schwarzenegger and his predecessors have done to California, and start with a rational approach to a national requirement. And say, this country is going nuclear. We're going to do it right; we're going to have an integrated process, and we're going to recognize that the world's population and living standard is such, that to maintain that living standard for that population, we must think about replenishing the resources that we otherwise are using up in the land. And we can do that, but we have to think about that. In other words, maintaining the resources we're using up is a part of the cost of production. And that's the only to approach this thing.

#### Who's Doing the Senate's Business?

**Freeman:** We have a number of very good questions continuing on this topic that have been submitted by students and others who are listening via the Internet. I will entertain those questions, but what I would like to do first is, because we do also have a number of institutional questions on some pressing issues that I know people want to hear Lyn address, I'm going to move away from this topic briefly, but I just want to assure everyone that I will come back to it.

Lyn, the next question has been submitted jointly by two freshman Democrats in the House of Representatives. And the question is as follows: "Mr. LaRouche, as we understand it, the tradition is that we in the House of Representatives have followed the lead of the U.S. Senate in policy issues of a certain type, especially in policy questions that have long-term implications. The problem is, that right now, a number of leading Democratic Senators are also announced candidates for the Democratic Presidential nomination. From my admittedly limited experience, their Presidential ambitions are being put before their responsibilities here on Capitol Hill. Now, we do have some excellent Democratic members of the Senate—leader Reid, John Kerry, Jim Webb, and others have certainly stepped up to the plate. But I still sense a problem in terms of overall collaboration. We are very new here, and we are really not sure, number one, if this is a problem, or if it just looks this way. And if it is a problem, how we should address it. We'd appreciate your thoughts on the matter."

**LaRouche:** I tend to curse when I hear about Presidential candidacies at present, for precisely the reason indicated—probably a little more emphasis than the questioners intended. It is a fake!

Look at reality: We are now at the point of general collapse of the world financial system and economy. This is happening now! What you're seeing in the subprime mortgage collapse in the United States, is a part of a symptom. Remember, what was built on the subprime mortgage area was built on to extend what was done under Greenspan earlier. They began to run out of energy in terms of normal mortgages, standard mortgages. So, what they did was, they created a new market, a speculative market in subprime mortgages. Now, a subprime mortgage meant that the person who was responsible for paying the mortgage, virtually had no equity in the holding—none. And with a slight collapse in the market value, the resale value of the property, that person, who was the debtor, was going into negative equity. So, this became the most vulnerable part, this became the high-gain area. In order to get this mortgage expanded, the greatest amount of encouragement was given to dealers in mortgages to give them incentives to get rich quick-you know, you can get rich doing this! And they did get rich in the short term, but that only increased the squeeze.

So now, this whole area, which is a highly speculative area, sitting on top of the regular mortgage area, is now blowing out. Now, however, what this is, is simply a reflection of the fact that the *entire* mortgage structure of the United States is blowing out. If you think about the percentile of bank liabilities based on these mortgages, directly or indirectly, the whole U.S. banking system is on the verge of blowing out! You look at the situation in Germany, in France, in Italy, in Eastern Europe, a similar situation. The whole thing is bankrupt! Transatlantic society is bankrupt; hopelessly bankrupt! And the subprime mortgage explosion is only a reflection of that.

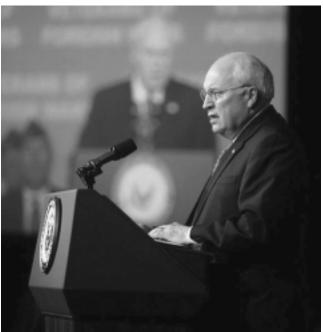
The other side, of course, of this thing is sitting, centered on the Cayman Islands, where the entire financial system is controlled, essentially, by the House of Windsor's control

over the Cayman Islands and similar kinds of locations around the world, and a few other partners in this thing.

So therefore, you're now in the year 2007; the system is about to blow out this year! Now!! What the hell are you running for? What've you got to say about this little problem? You want to talk about this, you want to talk about that, you want to talk about whose hairstyle is better, whatever, huh? What's happened is that candidacies—some of these candidates are serious people. I mean Hillary, for example, is a serious proposition in the Senate. Well, how she would be as a President, that's another matter. But in the Senate, she's a very useful person, because she's spunky and she does tend to fight. And she makes mistakes; others can correct her mistakes, but in the meantime, it's good to have a spunky person in there, making this kind of fuss. But the problem is, that the candidates, some of them are serious people, but the *candida*cies are not serious. They don't say anything serious. You're demoralizing the people of the United States by this. Here we are, the system is collapsing. Look at the price of lettuce. Look at the rate of change of the increase of the price of gasoline. Look at the things that are hitting the American people day after day in this direction. What the hell is their response on this question?

So therefore, they're not *engaging* the American people and interests. It's a diversion; it's a clown show! Bozo! The Bozos of the Year award! So, it's a clown show, and this is bad. What is needed more than anything else, is what I'm doing, which more people should be doing, too.

What we need is to get people who are serious about politics, not serious about the competition of politics—but serious about the content of politics—to move; and just move. We have to move together. We don't have to agree on everything, but we have to move. We have to move on taking the issues which are the *real issues* of life, and taking reality as it's going to hit the world in 2007. I mean, the problem with Hillary is she's talking about what she's going to do in January of 2009! And she may never get to 2009, the way things are going now. And that's the problem: You have a beauty contest; a competition. A hog-calling contest, or whatever. And it's not serious. And what's happened is that this is a clown show, with the complicity of the mass media, which is diverting the attention from the real issues which should be fought out before the public. Because in order to do something with the nation—unless you want to have a dictatorship you've got to engage the citizenry in a discussion and a dialogue about what these issues are. You've got to get the implicit consent of the nation, by getting people to pay attention to what you're saying, and to discuss with them what you're talking about, so they know what they're being asked to support and why. And I don't see in any of the campaigns, that I've seen from the newspaper and other mass media coverage, I see *nothing* from any of the candidates, nothing worth voting for. Well, why are they wasting their time running? What have they got—gonorrhea or something?



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Vice President Cheney is not the problem, said LaRouche. "Cheney is the manifestation of the problem." Nevertheless, his impeachment is long overdue. Here, Cheney addresses the Veterans of Foreign Wars on March 5, 2007.

#### The Libby Conviction—and Cheney

Freeman: Okay, the next question is from a Democratic consultant who is involved in shaping policy for a number of people on Capitol Hill. His question is: "Lyn, with the conviction now of Scooter Libby, I think that everybody would agree, that Libby was probably found guilty of the most minor of his crimes. But even with the limited evidence that was available, both to the jury and to the American people, it was apparent that the real criminal in all this was Vice President Cheney. Senator Reid moved very quickly to warn President Bush against granting Libby a pardon, and I think that the recognition is that granting Libby a pardon would be directed to shutting Libby's mouth. But although Senator Reid named Cheney repeatedly in his remarks, he stopped short of calling for Cheney's resignation, or forcible removal from office. The special prosecutor in the case has also indicated that his investigation has now moved into the inactive phase. What do you see as the next step, given these simple facts?"

LaRouche: Well, it's a mistake of omission in this characterization, saying Cheney is the problem. Cheney is not the problem. Cheney is the manifestation of the problem. The problem is named principally George Shultz. And George Shultz controls, and has controlled, collaborated with Felix Rohatyn. Now, what's the position of Felix Rohatyn in terms of members of the Senate and parts of the U.S. Congress? What is the role of Soros, with his drug connections, in this

game? People are looking at this as if it were an intercollegiate sports event, rather than real-life politics. Real-life politics today is deadly politics, it's deadly like it could never imagine before. *The issue today is the fate of humanity on the planet.* It is not who wins the next election, or who goes to jail, or who doesn't go to jail. Anything of significance is significant only as it is significant with respect to these larger, longer-term historical consequences.

What does George Shultz represent? He's a bad guy, a very bad guy, so bad that the word "bad" has to be taken out of the dictionary. Find another one. He's a pig. But the issue here is not personality, as such. Personality is important, but personality is only an instrument in the course of human events. The issue is *policy*. The issue is, where the human race is going. What you have is, you have two groups of people on this planet who are powerful, who run, dominate the planet. One faction is our faction, those in European civilization, especially in the United States, who represent something approximating the Franklin Roosevelt tradition. We are one thing. We are the thing we can unite about, because we are committed to the sovereign nation-state and to the welfare of nations.

The other side is the oligarchical side. It goes back to the empires of the past, and to globalization, the Tower of Babel of today. And therefore, you're dealing with these kinds of forces. You know, what the Bible refers to as "principalities and powers." You're dealing with forces of this type, in which individuals may influence the principalities and powers, but they're only able to operate by dealing with that problem. So, you have to organize against the enemy, and the enemy is not a competitor, an individual competitor. It's not a sports event. The enemy is a power, in this case, the power of Venetianstyle banking, Venetian-style finance. This is the enemy, and George Shultz is the embodiment of that enemy. Chency is a thug who works for that enemy, like a hit-man. Other people are just hit-men, and Congressmen are often merchandise, bought and sold. Sometimes, if you're nice to them, they don't know they're bought and sold.

So that's what the problem is. The problem is that, without a positive alternative to the crap that's going on now—if you try to reduce it to a choice between personalities, you're going no place. The question is one of policy. The entire international financial monetary system is in the process of disintegrating, now. What's happening in the subprime mortgage area is only an expression of an explosive charge in the whole system. The explosion may occur at any time. It may occur in refraction, as a new breakout of war, as an Iran war. In any other number of ways. Free will is operating here. There are choices! People can choose to do one thing or another. You can't predict simply, mechanically, on the basis that you know the situation is such, the tension is such, that you're going to have to act in some way or the other, suddenly and dramatically.

And without a conception of policy, without a conception

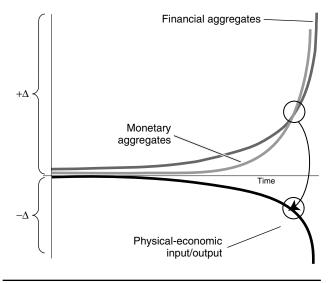
of: What are you going to do to replace this bankrupt international monetary financial system? What are you going to do about that? Do you have an alternative to this system? As long as you work within this system, you haven't got a chance. What are you prepared to do to replace this system, and how, and under what rules? And that's what the problem of the question is. It goes to a superficial question, which decides nothing. It's a legitimate question in itself, but when you think about a thing backwards, you think, if I try to get the answer to that question, what am I going to answer? I have to come back with a question: What is the policy we must have for reorganizing the bankrupt international financial system now? Because it's going bankrupt now. And the problem is, we don't have the guts to ask those questions. We try to reduce it to, oh, get a better guy in there, maybe he'll do a good job for us, maybe make things a little bit better. You know, the usual kind of nonsense. It doesn't work. The system is finished, now! Civilization as you know it is finished, now! And civilization will be continued only if we come in with the answer to this question, the question of the system, not the question of an individual.

#### **Regulation of the Hedge Funds**

Freeman: Lyn, the next question comes from a fellow of the Hamilton Project over at Brookings, and it's on the question of this new transparency legislation. He says, "Mr. LaRouche, as you know, there is transparency legislation that has been proposed in the Senate, that would subject hedge funds to the same rules and regulations as those of other financial and trading outlets. Although we're all aware that it will not solve all of our problems, it would certainly produce a very sizable sum of tax revenues, which is obviously critical in light of the current Federal deficit. I have, for a long time, been under the impression that you had advocated precisely these types of measures. Yet now, your representative has argued with me that while that's all fine and good, that it would not appreciably affect anything. I do understand that your position is that we need to move to reorganization of the financial system as a whole, but it would still seem to me that taking such action and producing some liquidity in the midst of the crisis that we face right now, would be beneficial to everyone. Could you please comment on this?"

LaRouche: You're out of time! Time has been exhausted for that. Of course I supported such measures in times past. But now it's too late! The train has left the station! This system is coming down now! The only thing that you can do which makes any sense is to outlaw this kind of practice. The only action that means anything. It should be outlawed immediately! Now, that would have catastrophic effects, too, because the entire financial system today depends upon that swindle. You have to look at my Triple Curve, the phase two Triple Curve [Figure 1]. Look at where we are on that map. You're now in an out-of-control, hyperinflationary skyrocket. The only thing you can do is bring it down. When you bring it

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down, where do you land? How do you land? What's your parachute?

What you have to deal with now: Declare this stuff illegal. You don't have to tax them. You confiscate everything in sight! Best taxation we can get. Confiscate it! It's unheard of! Look what it's doing, look at the damage this stuff is doing to the world. It takes perfectly legitimate firms, which were established by responsible people, moves in on them, grabs them on leverage without actually paying for them, loots them of all the cash and assets it has to pay for what they got free, in net effect, and then moves onto the next place, leaving a stinking hulk behind. You want to find a way to tax these guys? You want to exterminate them! Shut the things down! These should never have been allowed to happen. There is no concept of real equity in a system that allows this to occur.

A guy sits out there with a bunch of borrowed money, borrowed from fictitious sources, he puts it up as a showing of his money; he says, "We're buying that stock! We're going to get control of this company!" He gets control of the company, he loots the treasury to cover the debt he had in buying the place up, skims the fragments off, and runs off to the next place. These are *locusts*, as described by Müntefering of the Social Democratic Party in Germany. They're locusts. A guy comes in, robs your house, and says, "Now you owe me for the repairs to this house!" What people get sucked into is the idea, "Well, we have to do it in a business-like way." Well, give them the business!

#### The Saudi-Iranian Initiative

**Freeman:** Before we get back to the question of global warming, there are a couple of questions that have come from

friends in the Middle East, who are obviously grappling with a very difficult situation. Two questions: What Muriel [Mirak-Weissbach] says in submitting these questions, is that these are questions that come from several political figures in Lebanon, and pertain to the Saudi/Iranian initiative. The questions are phrased differently by each person, but they both come down to the following, which it would be helpful if you commented on:

"If the United States is interested, as it claims, in regional security in this area, what would be the problem, what are the actual objections that the Administration is making in the endorsement of this initiative, and is it an initiative that you see as workable?"

**LaRouche:** The United States has to play a role in this thing. I don't see any way in which the Bush-Cheney Administration can play a useful role. So therefore, those who are concerned about this have to say, now is the time to get rid of the Bush-Cheney Administration. It's highly impeachable. One, on the basis of lying beyond belief. I mean, Cheney's lying is obvious beyond belief. He's impeachable for lying.

First of all, he got himself in a position where the change that was made in the character of the Presidency, under Carter, where the Vice President was made a functioning part, has been carried to an extreme under Cheney. And Cheney, therefore, is impeachable for the offenses he committed on his part, as part of the Administration, because tantamountly, he's a controller of the Administration, to all intents and purposes.

So, the United States has to play a role, but you have to look at this thing globally. You can't break it into segments: one question here, one question here, one question here. It's a global question. As I said before, there are four powers on this planet that must be brought together, not necessarily to agree on everything, but to form a bloc of agreement around which other nations can find an umbrella under which to work. These are the United States, Russia, China, and India, and other nations who will become associated with that group. They have to say, the time has come to put the world back into order.

In that context, then, the United States has a specific responsibility, which it must execute in respect to the area of Southwest Asia. You have a whole bloc, which includes Afghanistan, parts of Pakistan, Baluchistan, which is part of Pakistan, more or less, Iran, and the Arab states. You have to say, the United States has a very specific responsibility. Why? Because the British have made, through the Arab Bureau operations, all the things the British have done since they took over India, have made this cockpit *their area*, and only if the United States steps in and steps on the face of the British, can anything you attempt among these countries work

So therefore, the United States has to say to the Israelis, "The British are being kicked out. We have been drawn in here, therefore we're going to do the job we have to do as a

responsible nation. And we're going to cooperate with Russia, with China, with India, and other countries, on a consensus of what the policy is." The absolute condition, as was stated by the Baker-Hamilton report, is you must have a *forced solution to the Palestinian-Israel conflict. Now!* And no nonsense. And it can be made to stick, but you have to have the guts to do it.

In that case, then, all kinds of things are possible, because what you don't need is a *fixed* solution. You don't need a road map which has all the dots and t's dealt with. What you have to do is have a commitment to a *direction of solution*, a direction of accommodation, guaranteed by major powers who say, "We're going to protect this. You go ahead and do your negotiating, do what you have to do, but we're going to protect the right of you to do it, and support you doing it." This must be done. Therefore, what the United States must do—in this case, Baker-Hamilton really hit the nail on the head. It's what has to happen. Without conditions. *No* pre-conditions! We want this to work.

What the Saudis have done is a step in that direction. It should be allowed to work, as best it can. But the thing we have to do, which the Saudi proposal is leading toward, it's the direction it's pointing toward: You must tell the Israelis, look, you are going to *now* settle this question. Whether you decide on a one-state solution or two-state solution is up to you, but you're going to do it, whatever it is. And you're going to do it now! And don't start screaming about this and don't start screaming about that. We're not going to listen. And that's what's required. You can not have the United States as an outsider in this situation, non-committed, and expect a solution. It won't work.

As Baker-Hamilton points out, there is no future for the United States in that region of the world, from their standpoint, unless the United States takes a responsible view on this issue. I agree. And therefore, the problem here is the Cheney-Bush Administration will never let that happen! Therefore, if you don't want to get rid of Bush and Cheney, you're not serious.

#### Iran Crisis? Impeach Cheney and Bush!

Freeman: The next question was submitted by Prof. Pirouz Moitahed-Zadeh, who is a well-known Iranian scholar and the author of many books on political geography. He says, "Dear Mr. LaRouche, while I appreciate your very valuable efforts in disclosing the clandestine strategies of Bush and Cheney's warmongering in the Middle East, I ask you to try to find or explain, from the Bush Administration, an answer to the question that would logically, legally, and humanely be acceptable to public opinion, both in the United States and abroad, because obviously he can't figure it out."

He says, "The Bush Administration has claimed that it will not attempt to create propaganda for war against Iran, but all informed sources know that it *has* launched a series of provocative measures in neighboring Iraq, to lead to an uncal-

culated response from Iran that *would* start war, and then blame Iran for its start. In this context, U.S. agents in Iraq have kidnapped a number of Iranian diplomats and have detained hundreds of Iranian citizens there, without any charge. They have harmed and humiliated hundreds more. We're also faced with a situation in which approximately 1 million Iranian citizens are permanent residents in Iraq, over whose lives and activities the Iranian government has no authority at all. Can this kidnapping, illegal detention, torture, etc., of innocent citizens and other atrocities not named here, all for the sake of provoking a war, be justified under any law, or any form of human rights? It doesn't seem to uphold any sense of decency, especially not one normally attributed to a democratic state, even in times of war. So, how does the Bush Administration justify its actions to its own population?"

**LaRouche:** There's nothing that can justify the Bush-Cheney Administration, and it's a futile effort to try to do so. A waste of time. The only thing to do with that Administration is get rid of it. Nothing else will be of any use whatsoever. And therefore, a bill of impeachment against Cheney, being drafted in the House of Representatives, for presentation to the joint body of the Congress, for impeachment trial, should be done right now. And I would like to know why it's not being done. *Lying* to get the United States into a war, and *lying* in the way that Cheney has done, and *bullying* in the way Cheney has done, is specific grounds, in fact, for impeachment. They should be impeached.

The problem is the Democrats who should be doing it, are under the influence of other Democrats who have cut a deal, and have agreed to keep impeachment off the agenda until 2008. That's the problem.

You know, look back at history: Take the history of the French Revolution, its evolution from 1783 on with the Treaty of Paris, and you see again and again and again in history, a situation like now, where the required course of action is clear, objectively clear. It's clear to anyone who wants to face reality. "But [adopts wimpy voice], don't you understand, but don't you understand, but don't you understand? . . ." And again, for one reason or another, "This is not the right time, it's not the right time!"

And if we go down as a civilization, we'll go down for reasons like that, not for any other kind of reason. That's the reason why civilizations go down. Because no one will stand up who's in a position to stand up, who should stand up and take the point on the issue. That's our problem. We have a bunch of people who pride themselves in being powerful—in their own opinion—influential, in fact, but on the *crucial issues which determine the fate of humanity, or just the fate of the nation, they don't act!* And then they give you reasons why they didn't. But the price is, the nation goes down, again and again nations go down, or virtually go down, in some terrible problem, as the result of simply refusing to face the obvious: We must get rid of the Bush-Cheney Administration. We must do it in an artful way, but it must occur.



The Indian Point nuclear plant in Buchanan, New York. The key to solving problems with infrastructure, is to make sure the Federal government does its job, in ensuring the credit, and regulation, for projects in the public interest.

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#### Treatment of Veterans—and Our Future

**Freeman:** Mr. Richard Adams, who's the president of AFGE Local 1168, from the Bronx VA hospital is here, and he has a question—because I like the Bronx!

Adams: All right, sir. I'm very glad to be here. I'm the president of a local that's located in the Bronx VA hospital, and we've all known what they've done to the veterans. And now we see that the United States, under this Administration. really cares nothing about the veterans. But it was something you said that triggered something in my mind. You said that we must have nuclear power, we must make sure that nuclear plants work well. And in 1977-78, I was an inspector of building materials, and one of the places that I had to inspect materials at was Indian Point [nuclear plant], New York. I found that place—there was one way to go in and one way to go out, and there were wall-to-wall people. Now, we know that this Administration already has lost \$5 billion cash money that they don't know where it is, or anything like that. But if we need nuclear power like you said, how are we supposed to get it? Because the Indian Point plant was a disaster, and it's still not working correctly. It's leaving a lot of people in danger, and I'd like to know, if we don't care about the veterans, what are we going to do about the nuclear power in our future? Thank you.

**LaRouche:** First of all, there is no capital for investment available in the private sector. It doesn't exist. All the people

who claim to have it, are going to find out they have less than nothing. So, what we're faced with is creating a national credit facility, of the Federal government, because the Federal government is the only part of our system which is allowed to create money, by law. Therefore, the act of Congress creates a fund, authorizes the issue of a certain amount of U.S. currency, which is a debt to the United States government, issues at denominated prices, and takes projects which are essential to the national interest, whether they be state facilities, or Federal facilities, or whatnot. And says, "Okay, we are going to fund this."

Now, as you know, if you look around the landscape, we've got a lot of unemployed people, or people who are employed in things which are beneath their dignity. And simply by taking skilled and semi-skilled people, and taking a taskforce approach, as we used to take, to starting out with some skilled people, then you have some less skilled people in a project, you program that project so that you're going to produce a skilled labor force as part of the in-house training and so forth, that goes on with this kind of thing, like special education programs and things of that sort.

And the way we get it is by the government taking very specific things that are required. We require public transportation, especially interstate public transportation, rail. We require a rationalization of the air-rail transport system, for passengers especially. We require nuclear power plants. We

require water management. For example, where can you get a safe drink of water out of a faucet these days? Go back 50 years. Where could you get safe drinking water out of a faucet then? Where can you do it today?

So, these kinds of things—the public health situation. We have people running around for health insurance, and they can't afford it. Forty-seven to fifty percent of our people who are employed don't have health insurance! They can't afford it. This is insane. Therefore, this is an area of Federal responsibility, together with the states, to come up with solutions for this kind of problem. Including facilities, like this thing with Walter Reed is a typification of the whole mess. Walter Reed—we want soldiers to go and die in Iraq, but we won't take care of them when they get hurt! They closed down Walter Reed, or they agreed to close it down, because of a real estate deal! They wanted the real estate area for a promotional area in D.C., where Walter Reed was a very essential institution, servicing a lot of people. They're running it into the ground, deliberately. But you look all over the United States—these vets coming back from Iraq, they're not being treated. So you have a demonstration of a general need for a reconstruction of the public-health system, including related hospital facilities, to fit in, as we did before, under the postwar period. We had this partnership among Federal, state, and private institutions, which would work in a region together, and plan what the requirements were for the coming year for the population of the whole area.

So, we have to go to the Federal government, in reorganizing a bankrupt system, and take projects which are of essential importance to the nation, first of all in the public welfare area, and in the private sector, to make sure funding is available, long-term credit is available, for essential private industries and for essential public endeavors. And that's the only way we're going to get it.

So, we have to have a plan, in my view, we have to take a 50-year span, look 50 years forward, and say, we're going to finance something over 50 years to come. And take the things which are of the highest category of priorities, start with some pilot projects to get the thing started, and determine that each year you're going to progress to solve this problem, another step. And I think the first chunk will be a good useful chunk. If we put some life back in some institutions that are collapsing now, we can actually keep the institutions alive.

#### A Sane Approach To Manage the Planet

**Freeman:** Almost all of the questions that are coming in now, are from groups of students from around the world, who have a variety of questions, all on this overall question of global warming. And also, along with that, there are questions that are coming in from individuals and from a couple of individual scientists who have questions about this. And I'd like to give Lyn the opportunity to answer some of them. One question comes from the University of New Hampshire, which also is a reflection of several other questions that have

come in, including from a gathering of college students in Cincinnati.

The question from New Hampshire is from Andrew Langsner, and he says, "Lyn, I'm a civil engineering student who's spent some time in the Youth Movement. I've been looking into the global warming issue, and I agree with you about how Al Gore is a liar about CO<sub>2</sub> causing global warming. My idea about global warming, is that the warming is real, at least in certain key parts of the globe, like the polar ice cap. But using clean fuel is not going to stop this warming. It seems to me that we should be finding out how to deal with certain global effects, like rising sea levels. I'd like to know if you agree, and if the threat of rising sea levels *is* real, couldn't this be addressed as part of your proposed infrastructure development project?"

LaRouche: As far as we know now, there are no significant rising sea levels in sight. There's a lot of talk about rising sea levels, but these are within the margin of errorthe maximum expected. At present, in this area, we do have something that should be done. First of all, land management stinks. We are letting whole parts of the planet run down. Now, the best thing you can do with a planet like ours, is increase the  $CO_2$  level. Increase the  $CO_2$  level, because what happens with CO<sub>2</sub>? Plants gobble it up, so you turn an inorganic mass of gas into a living process. For example, you'll find whole areas of denuded desert areas, so what you have, is a combination of developing a territory, is a distribution of water and CO<sub>2</sub>, and you develop systems. You develop grasses, for example. Grasses have an increment of mass of, say, of 1-2% of sunlight absorbed. Trees, good, healthy trees, will go up to 10% of absorbed heat. If you have enough trees and plants, the atmosphere will be cooler. If you have more trees, more plants of other kinds, you'll find your water balance is better, all this sort of thing.

So, therefore, if you have a sane approach to managing the planet—as I've said before, you have to realize we've come into a period where we can no longer think of exploiting natural resources. We now have to think in terms of *managing* natural resources, which means also replenishing them. One of the best ways to replenish natural resources, is to promote *life*. The obvious kind of life you wish to promote is, first of all, green on the Earth. And if you want to cool the planet, cool an area, put in some trees! Fruit trees are fine. Do you like fruit? Grow fruit trees! Things like that.

Also, management of the oceans. Eliminate pollution. Do things to increase the efficiency of the ocean. Oceans are actually the major driver of ecology on the planet, so therefore, improve that. So, yes, there are things. There is no danger of an ice melt, so far, that we know. I've seen no indication of it. The planet's been around for a long time. The largest catastrophe of this nature I've known, is what happened for about 200,000 years, prior to about 19,000 years ago, before the Great Glacial Melt began, in which the oceans were a few hundred feet below the present level, because of all this ice



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that was sitting on top of the continents for about 200,000 years. So, that's the largest-scale catastrophe I know of. You have catastrophes like volcanic eruptions, like Krakatoa and before that, the island of Thera, which blew apart in an explosion which was much more powerful than Krakatoa. So there are things which we know about of this nature, and they should be anticipated, as catastrophes which we could be able to mobilize to deal with, if we just get on our scientific legs and look at them.

But in this case, I don't think that there is an actual danger. It does not come up on the landscape as something within known history or probable history. But I would say that, rather than worrying about the negative problems, what we should be worrying about is the fact that our negligence, with the world population increasing, we need more green, we need more water, we need less arid land areas and so forth. Those should be our goals. And if we have that approach, we will probably find that we've developed the science and technology which helps us to deal with any catastrophe which threatens us. But that's my general answer.

#### **Solar Activity and the Earth's Climate**

Freeman: The next question on this topic, was submitted from Italy, where Mr. LaRouche, just a week or so ago, gave a public address in the building of the Italian Parliament. The question is, "Mr. LaRouche, solar activity since the 1980s has increased 0.36%. Apparently small, but the Sun has a mass accounting for 99% of the whole Solar System, and therefore, any small increase outside the activity of the Sun itself, becomes relevant for the remaining mass, this remaining 1%.

Now, theoretically, the Sun is at the minimum of its solar activity, but despite that, it is irradiating much energy and causing earthquakes throughout the world. Since 1982, those earthquakes have increased by 700%. Three hypotheses have been put forward in this area: one, regarding how cosmic rays affect the atmosphere; two, regarding how the Solar System has entered a warmer area called the photonic belt; and three, theories about the so-called tenth planet mentioned in old Sumeric scripts in the Bible, with the idea being that the tenth planet is now approaching the Sun. Since the Sun itself can not be controlled, and is 99% responsible for this phenomenon that is being called global warming, how do you think we should address this problem or do you think that it's not a problem?"

**LaRouche:** I wouldn't say it's a problem, it's a challenge. But look at what you're saying in the question, listen to what others hear what you're saying in this question. The so-called global warming effect, the *Gore effect*, is the result of the Sun getting hotter during this period. It is not CO<sub>2</sub> on the planet. *The Sun is getting hotter*. Well, it was getting hotter, but recently, it just began to cool down a bit, so you're now going to enter a cooling phase. I don't know if that has something to do with what's going on outside on the streets today, but essentially Gore is bunk. I mean, I don't know how people believe him. They *wish* to believe him. I guess why they believe him is because they wish to believe him. It's terrible.

No, we do have to think about these things. And we have people working in the cellar where I reside, on exactly things that pertain to that.

The key thing here is that, our educational system stinks,

and I have recently had some first-hand happy experience with demonstrating that's the case, downstairs from where I sometimes sleep, where young people, starting out with a project on the Kepler I, did a job which became a launching pad for Kepler II. Which is now a launching pad for a Gauss project, which is based on looking at what most people don't know about Gauss, but what can be found out about what he knew about Kepler. So, when you see what young people in this age group, this so-called university-eligible age group, are capable of doing, instead of being barked at and spit at by some professor with a mandatory course, actually go through the experience that was done in the past, in the original university efforts, where the students ran the universities—not like some crazy yuppies or something like that, but they ran them in the sense that they were educating themselves, and they used the people around there who had knowledge, as a resource they tapped, in order to proceed with their self-education.

We see the same thing works here. It worked in these cases. I selected a few targets, which are the obvious targets. All of them had some grounding in Pythagorean physics, that sort of thing. But, with a grounding and starting on their own, in selected teams, mixed teams, five, six people, so forth, they were able to achieve in a limited period of months, fulfill a project above the standard which is achieved in the university today, in the same period of time. And this process has been progressive, in its effect.

So therefore, I think the key thing we have to think about, is to make the whole society a youth movement of that type, and use that approach to build up the same effect, like a Renaissance effect, coming from Italy.

Think of the 15th-Century Renaissance. Brunelleschi had a task of completing the cupola on this Cathedral of Florence, and what method does he use to solve an otherwise impossible problem? The hanging chain! A catenary! He used the catenary principle as a principle of physics—which was otherwise not known until Leibniz's development of the principle of least action—to design something. And you take the other things that were developed in that brief period in Italy, of the Renaissance, and you see in that and other similar cases, unique cases in past history, that this can be done.

I think the thing to do is to take an optimistic view, not as a fanciful optimistic view, not a Macawber view that "things will turn up," but a real view, that if we concentrate on developing the human being to develop these intellectual powers to solve problems, that we will find ourselves able to solve problems. The thing that is frightening about the situation today, and in recent decades, is the fact that the attention to developing the capability of young people coming into adulthood, to solve problems of this type themselves, to make progress, that's what's not happening. And that is frightening. I think if we can make that change, and think—as in Italy and elsewhere—the program is a new Renaissance, when we develop it here, we develop it there, then we can be optimistic about humanity.

#### The 'Religious' Conflict in Iraq

Freeman: ... We have a gathering of about 25 people in the annex building of Argentina's Congress. They have submitted a number of questions, among them questions from the advisor to the member of Congress who is sponsoring the event. One question that this person has asked, which has been asked in fact by several people who have sent in questions via e-mail, regards the current conflict among Muslims in the nation of Iraq. The question generally is, "Right now, it would seem that as a result of U.S. operations in Iraq, that what has been sparked is a deadly war between Sunni and Shi'a. However, there is also much evidence indicating that what is going on, is really not that simple, and that the war is not at all a conflict between Sunni and Shi'a, but is something else entirely, something of a far more political nature. Because of the control of war propaganda, it's very difficult to be able to tell what really is going on. My question to you is, do you believe that this is principally a religious conflict, is it something else, and in either case, how is it best addressed?"

LaRouche: Well, if you look at British methods, you get a better understanding of what's going on than if you look at American-style methods, although sometimes the Americans use British methods. The British method is to get the other guys to fight each other, and destroy each other. That's their method. Remember, the British have been at this since before 1763, when they were in the process of establishing their colony in India. And in that process, they moved up through Central Asia and through Afghanistan and so forth, and they developed operations which became a part of the British East India Company's operations, and then were continued as the Arab Bureau operations, under the British again. The same Arab Bureau which is run by Henry Kissinger's friend, here in the United States today, from London.

So, what you're looking at there, is: If you wish to destroy an area, how do you do it? Well, there are two ways. You can go in there and bomb it and so forth, but that's not very efficient. What you do is that you try to get the people in that area to kill each other and to destroy their own territory, their own farms, their own basis of subsistence, and that's what's been done in that area. *This is a British-style operation*, British East India Company-style operation, in which they have their agents in all factions, and they play one faction against the other. And they stir up reverberating hatreds.

You saw what was done in Lebanon. Lebanon was peaceful. Boom! Blown up! And the Israelis do the same thing. The Israelis are generally steered by the British—at least the rightwing Israelis—and they do the same thing. They destroy the Arabs. Why do you do that? Get 'em to fight each other.

For example, you had a branch of the Muslim Brother-hood was set up by British Intelligence and by [Ariel] Sharon, together, to set up a rivalry to the Palestinian Authority. So this resulted in a conflict, a manifold conflict. It still goes on. This is what the Saudis intervened in, to try to correct and

neutralize with their intervention, and hopefully it will work. But the problem you're looking at here, is that kind of situation, a situation in which the way you destroy an opponent is get him to destroy himself, by dividing his ranks against one another, and they will do the job nicely. And then you feed both sides, you have agents feeding both sides, inflaming both sides. Then you have provocateurs stirring up fights within the chemistry of this environment, and they kill each other off. This is the kind of colonial management policy.

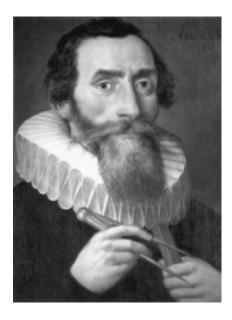
It's been done in Africa. You see the same thing, the British in Africa. The French in Africa, they did the same thing. The Belgians in Africa, they did the same thing. It's the way it's done. And it's time that some of us woke up to this reality, and stopped trying to give simplistic interpretations to things of this type reported here. To understand that people who try to maintain empires, and create empires, do it by manipulating the people they're trying to conquer, so the people kill themselves. It's what the British always did—get the other guys to fight.

#### What Time Is It?

**Freeman:** I'm going to take one more question, and then I'm going to wrap things up. This is a question that was submitted by one of the national leaders of MoveOn, whom we've been in touch with for quite some time. And he says, "Mr. LaRouche, I have followed what you've had to say for a number of years, and especially during the last Presidential campaign. Our views clearly converge on many issues, and whether the collaboration has been formal or not, we often find ourselves working for the same goal. Right now, from my organization, our focus is the following: It is to continue our efforts to end the war in Iraq, to continue our efforts to keep that war from expanding into either Pakistan, Iran, or anywhere else, and to remove Bush and Cheney from office. I believe that we agree on those. We also have some other initiatives on Global Warming, which I guess I won't bring up." At least he has a sense of humor!

He says, "But, I'm interested in knowing what specifically you would define as what groups like ours should be doing in the period immediately ahead. Obviously, the people in MoveOn, which is a very broad-based coalition of grassroots groups, is not going to take up the study of Kepler. But if, in fact, you were to make a recommendation of a productive course for us to pursue, please tell us what it is, because I'm really interested in knowing."

**LaRouche:** The first thing to concentrate on is always ask: What time is it? What time does the calendar place you in? What moment in history are you located in? What's the territory that you're operating in? We're now at a point where the reality is that nothing is important, unless you're looking at the fact that the entire international financial, monetary, and economic system, is now in a state of collapse, of chain-reaction collapse. What are you going to do about that? Because, if you're not doing something to solve that, everything



Informed by a questioner that obviously, MoveOn . . . is not going to take up the study of Kepler, LaRouche replied, "Why not?" The study of this great astronomer of the 16th Century is just what is required to master the scientific method that is utterly alien to Al Gore, and essential for our time.

else you think of is worthless. It's irrelevant. The flood is come. The locust plague has carried everything off. How do you stop the locust plague?

The issue is that people have to wake up, and little people have to become big people, in the sense that—and don't despise the. . . . Why not take up Kepler? Because what's the significance of Kepler? Man, since the time of ancient Greece, especially since the time of Eratosthenes about 200 B.C. his death, which corresponded approximately with the time of the death of his correspondent Archimedes—since that time, there was a breakdown in scientific knowledge. And, even though the question of the Solar hypothesis was established by Aristarchus of Samos, a fake theory had come in, by a Roman faker Claudius Ptolemy, and this was generally accepted nonsense. And what the difference was in which the actuality of a systemic modern science, as the foundation of systematic modern science, was found by Nicholas of Cusa, and to some degree enhanced by Leonardo da Vinci. But it was Kepler who was the founder of modern comprehensive science, and everybody else around him, who dealt with that problem, failed. All modern science is based on Kepler. All competent forms of modern science are based on Kepler and his methods.

But, in the United States, and in England, from approximately the middle of the 17th Century until the end of the 1970s, *no one*, virtually no one in the United States, was competent—with the exception of the people around Franklin—competent in astronomy or in physics. None! Because they didn't understand this.

And thus, you sometimes come to a point, as we come now in politics, in science, in other things, where the questions put on the table as the agenda today are the wrong questions, because the questions are not consonant with the problem that actually exists. We're in a mess today because we allowed

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A LaRouche Youth Movement West Coast cadre school on Kepler's Harmony of the World, Feb. 23-25, 2007. Chris Landry, one of the participants in the Kepler II project that met for 4-5 months in LaRouche's basement, explains the breakthroughs that his group made.

ourselves to be pushed into a mess. We allowed ourselves by coming to believe things which governed our behavior, which are foolish things to believe. We didn't question enough. Or we allowed ourselves to be discouraged by sneering oppression, not to look into certain things we should look into.

Now, the time has come where everything that public opinion has accepted as, "Oh, this is what you learn, this is what the universities teach, this is what this is, this is what you should know." It's all bunk! It's all failed! System's coming down. And therefore, a questioning attitude, combined with something else—. As we observe the results of the most recent elections, the mid-term elections, we saw the significant turn in the behavior of young people—particularly college-oriented or similar-oriented people—in voting patterns in the group between 18 and 25, and 25 to 35. This was a qualitative change, which defined the margin of the landslide victory of the Democratic Party in the House of Representatives.

The time has come when the Baby-Boomer generation's failure means the Baby-Boomer generation, which dominates politics today, is going to have to step to one side, and play an also-ran role, with a rising role of leadership among young Americans in the 18-35 age group, particularly young Americans who have a dedication to the future of society. Young Americans will adopt the responsibility, as the youth associated with me have done, to take their own resources, their own minds, their own potentialities, and develop the technologies,

develop the knowledge they need to provide and become qualified leadership.

What you need is a kick of the boot to the rear end of the Baby-Boomer generation, to give them an uplifting experience. And what you need is the boot of youth, of exuberant youth who are facing the challenge, youth who generally have nothing—in terms of material resources, young people who have almost nothing, they're living on almost nothing. *They have nothing but the future*. They have no reason to be dedicated to anything but the future. And the challenge to them is to develop the skills within themselves to meet the challenge of the future. To make the future. To build the future, and to put a spark, and a kick to the butt, to the Baby-Boomer generation.

Freeman: You've been an excellent audience, as have the audiences that have gathered in Colombia, in Argentina, in Mexico, in Italy, in Berlin, and across the United States. Obviously, we have a great deal of work to do, and I think that Lyn's unique role—not only here in the United States, but internationally, has emerged with increasing clarity as the crisis has deepened. I want to really encourage those of you who are listening, to take up the challenges that Lyn has put on the table, and to work with, or in support of, particularly the efforts of the LaRouche Youth Movement here in the United States, and to make sure that you keep abreast of what is happening, both currently and how it affects the future.

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# CO<sub>2</sub>: The Greatest Scientific Scandal of Our Time

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#### Introduction

On Feb. 2, 2007, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) again uttered its mantra of catastrophe about man-made global warming. After weeks of noisy propaganda, a 21-page "Summary for Policymakers" of the IPCC Fourth Assessment Report, 2007, was presented in grandiose style in Paris to a crowd of politicians and media, accompanied by a blackout of the Eiffel Tower to show that electric energy is bad. The event induced a tsunami of hysteria that ran around the world. This was probably the main aim of this clearly political paper, prepared by governmental and United Nations bureaucrats, and published more than three months before the

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IPCC's 1,600-page scientific report, which is to be released in May. In the words of the IPCC, this delay is needed for adjustment of the main text, so that "Changes...[could be] made to ensure consistency with the 'Summary for Policymakers.' "Not a single word in these 1,600 pages is to be in conflict with what politicians said beforehand in the summary!

This is a strange and unusual method of operation for a scientific report, and even stranger is the frankness of the IPCC's words about the delay, disclosing its lack of scientific integrity and independence. It is exactly the same modus operandi demonstrated in the three former IPCC reports of 1990, 1995, and 2001: *First the politics, then the science.* 

The IPCC style was strongly criticized some years ago, in two editorials in *Nature* magazine (Anonymous 1994, Maddox 1991). In each of these criticisms, Nature used the United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation (UNSCEAR) as an ideal example of how an independent and objective scientific report should be prepared, in this case a report on the global risks from all sources of radiation, including nuclear weapons and Chernobyl. The UNSCEAR assessments presented each year to the UN General Assembly are regarded as a bible of the science of ionizing radiation. Yes, UNSCEAR mostly fits Nature's description—but for a price. Because UNSCEAR's scientific reports often widely differed from the catastrophic views of the United Nations Environmental Programme or of the former UN Secretary-General, the UN bureaucracy has squeezed the finances of UNSCEAR, down to a level that caused almost a complete halt of its activity (Jaworowski 2002).



The campsite of an expedition to excavate ice samples near the giant Langtang Glacier, north of Katmandu, Nepal. The large tent is the field laboratory; the small tents, just dug out from a three-day snowfall, are for sleeping.

Courtesy of Zbigniew Jaworowski

This obviously is not the case with the IPCC, which is stuffed with money, and in agreement with the UN politics, which are dominated by greens and misanthropic fanaticism. During the past six years, the President of the United States devoted nearly \$29 billion to climate research, leading the world with its unparalleled financial commitment (The White House 2007). This was about \$5 billion per year, more than twice the amount spent on the Apollo Program (\$2.3 billion per year), which in 1969 put man on the Moon. A side-effect of this situation, and of politicizing the climate issue, was described by meteorologist Piers Corbyn in the Weather Action Bulletin, December 2000: "The problem we are faced with is that the meteorological establishment and the global warming lobby research bodies which receive large funding are now apparently so corrupted by the largesse they receive that the scientists in them have sold their integrity."

The question arises: Were the decisions concerning this enormous funding for global warming research taken out of genuine concern that the climate is allegedly changing as a result of CO<sub>2</sub> industrial emissions, or do some other undisclosed ideas stand behind this money, IPCC activity, Kyoto, and all the gruesome catastrophic propaganda the world is now exposed to? If this concern is genuine, then why do we not see a storm of enthusiastic environmentalists and United Nations officials demanding to replace all fossil-fuel plants with nuclear plants, which have zero emission of greenhouse gases, are environmentally friendly, more economical, and safe for plant workers and much safer for the general population than other sources of energy?

Why do we not see a global-scale effort to replace the internal combustion automobile engine with a zero-pollution

compressed-air engine? An improved version of such an engine, invented in 1870 by Ludwik Mekarski, drove the trams in Nantes and Paris for 34 years after 1879, transporting millions of passengers. Pneumatic locomotives were working in the mines the world over until the end of the 1930s. A pneumatic car is not pie in the sky, but a real thing, now under construction, which in its French version drives some 300 km before the air tank must be refilled, at a cost of about \$2 per 100 km. Can you imagine the beneficial, stabilizing consequences for global politics and economy, and for urban hygiene, of such a replacement, combined with a switch from oil, gas, and coal into nuclear energy? But at the November 2006 mass meeting in Nairobi of 6,000 followers of Kyoto (including UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan, the Presidents of Kenya and Switzerland, and a cortège of ministers from some 180 countries), the participants were pressed to not even mention nuclear energy.1

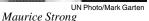
The concern at the top about "climate change" is not genuine, and there are hidden motives behind the global warming hysteria. Although there is not the space in this paper to discuss these motives fully, they may be illustrated by the following citations (for full references, see Jaworowski 1999).

 Maurice Strong, who dropped out of school at age 14, established an esoteric global headquarters for the New Age movement in San Luis Valley, Colorado, and helped produce the 1987 Brundtland Report, which ignited today's Green movement. He later become senior advisor to Kofi Annan, UN Sec-

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<sup>1.</sup> Private communication by Prof. Maciej Sadowski, Dec. 7, 2006.







Tim Wirth



Richard Benedick

A sample trio of the Malthusians behind the global warming hysteria.

retary-General, and chaired the gigantic (40,000 participants) "UN Conference on Environment and Development" in Rio de Janeiro in 1992. Strong, who was responsible for putting together the Kyoto Protocol with thousands of bureaucrats, diplomats, and politicians, stated: "We may get to the point where the only way of saving the world will be for industrial civilization to collapse."

Strong elaborated on the idea of sustainable development, which, he said, can be implemented by deliberate "quest of poverty. . . reduced resource consumption . . . and set levels of mortality control.

- Timothy Wirth, U.S. Undersecretary of State for Global Issues, seconded Strong's statement: "We have got to ride the global warming issue. Even if the theory of global warming is wrong, we will be doing the right thing in terms of economic policy and environmental policy."
- Richard Benedick, a deputy assistant secretary of state who headed policy divisions of the U.S. State Department, stated: "A global warming treaty must be implemented even if there is no scientific evidence to back the [enhanced] greenhouse effect."

#### The Four Basic IPCC Lies

But let us switch back to the IPCC 2007 report. The four basic statements in the "Summary for Policymakers" are:

- 1. Carbon dioxide, the most important anthropogenic greenhouse gas, increased markedly as a result of human activities, and its atmospheric concentration of 379 ppmv (parts per million, by volume) in 2005 by far exceeded the natural range of 180 to 300 ppmv over the last 650,000 years.
  - 2. Since 1750, human activities warmed the climate.

- 3. The warmth of the last half-century is unusual, is the highest in at least the past 1,300 years, and is "very likely" caused by increases in anthropogenic greenhouse gas concentrations;
- 4. Predictions are made that anthropogenic warming will continue for centuries, and between 2090 and 2099 the global average surface temperature will increase 1.1°C to 6.4°C. Various scare stories of global catastrophes are prophesied to occur if man-made emissions are not curbed by drastic political decisions. The obvious beneficial effects of warming for man and all the biosphere are downplayed.

Except for CO<sub>2</sub>, all these points are garlanded with qualifications such as "likely," "very likely," "extremely likely," "with very high confidence," and "unequivocal."

*In fact, to the contrary, all these points are incorrect.* 

The first "Summary for Policymakers" statement on the man-made increase of CO<sub>2</sub>, is a cornerstone of the IPCC report, and of the global warming edifice. This statement is a manipulation and a half-truth. It is true that CO<sub>2</sub> is "the most important anthropogenic [trace] greenhouse gas," but a much more important greenhouse factor is the water naturally present in the atmosphere, which contributes some 95% to the total greenhouse effect. This basic fact is not mentioned at all in the "Summary for Policymakers." Also not mentioned is the fact that 97% of the total annual emission of CO<sub>2</sub> into the atmosphere comes from natural emissions of the land and sea; human beings add a mere 3%. This man-made 3% of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions is responsible for a tiny fraction of the total greenhouse effect, probably close to 0.12%. Propositions of changing, or rather destroying, the global energy system because of this tiny human contribution, in face of the large short-term and long-term natural fluctuations of atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub>, are utterly irresponsible.

#### **The Truth About Ice Cores**

Because carbon dioxide ice core records are regarded as a foundation of the man-made global warming hypothesis, let us dwell on them for a while.

The basic assumption behind the CO<sub>2</sub> glaciology is a tacit view that air inclusions in ice are a closed system, which permanently preserves the original chemical and isotopic composition of gas, and thus that the inclusions are a suitable matrix for reliable reconstruction of the pre-industrial and ancient atmosphere. This assumption is in conflict with ample evidence from numerous earlier CO<sub>2</sub> studies, indicating the opposite (see review in Jaworowski et al. 1992b).

Proxy determinations of the atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> level by analysis of ice cores, reported *since 1985*, have been generally lower than the levels measured recently in the atmosphere. But, *before 1985*, the ice cores were showing values much *higher* than the current atmospheric concentrations (Jaworowski et al. 1992b). These recent proxy ice core values remained low during the entire past 650,000 years (Siegenthaler et al. 2005)—even during the six former interglacial warm periods, when the global temperature was as much as 5°C warmer than in our current interglacial!

This means that either atmospheric  $CO_2$  levels have no discernible influence on climate (which is true), or that the proxy ice core reconstructions of the chemical composition of the ancient atmosphere are false (which is also true, as shown below).

It was never experimentally demonstrated that ice core records reliably represent the original atmospheric composition. Other proxies demonstrated that many millions of years ago, CO<sub>2</sub> levels in the atmosphere reached, at various times, 377, 450, and even 3,500 ppmv (Kurschner et al. 1996, Royer et al. 2001), and that during the past 10,000 years these levels were, as a rule, higher than 300 ppmv, fluctuating up to 348 ppmv (Kurschner et al. 1996, Royer et al. 2001, Wagner et al. 1999, Wagner et al. 2002). The results of these last studies prove false the assertion of stabilized Holocene CO<sub>2</sub> concentrations of 270 ppmv to 280 ppmv until the industrial revolution.

The results of the cited pre-1985 studies are strongly supported by direct CO<sub>2</sub> measurements, carried out in the preindustrial and 20th-Century atmosphere (see below). About 2 billion years ago, the CO<sub>2</sub> atmospheric level was 100 or perhaps even 1,000 times higher than today. According to today's climate models, the Earth would have been too hot for life at that time (Ohmoto et al. 2004). However, geologic evidence suggests there was not a Venus-style, "runaway warming." Instead, life flourished then in the oceans and land, with such enormously high levels of this "gas of life," from which our bodies and all living creatures are built (Godlewski 1873). Yet, Greens now call this gas a dangerous "pollutant."

There are four other arbitrary assumptions behind the CO<sub>2</sub> glaciology. which were used to support the first assumption above:

- 1. No liquid phase occurs in the ice at a mean annual temperature of -24°C or less (Berner et al. 1977, Friedli et al. 1986, Raynaud and Barnola 1985).
- 2. The entrapment of air in ice is a mechanical process with no differentiation of gas components (Oeschger et al. 1985).
- 3. The original atmospheric air composition in the gas inclusions is preserved indefinitely (Oeschger et al. 1985).
- 4. The age of gases in the air bubbles is much younger than the age of the ice in which they are entrapped (Oeschger et al. 1985), the age difference ranging from several tens to several ten-thousands of years.

More than a decade ago, it was demonstrated that these four basic assumptions are invalid, that the ice cores cannot be regarded as a closed system, and that low pre-industrial concentrations of  $CO_2$ , and of other trace greenhouse gases, are an artifact, caused by more than 20 physical-chemical processes operating *in situ* in the polar snow and ice, and in the ice cores. Drilling the cores is a brutal and polluting procedure, drastically disturbing the ice samples (Jaworowski 1994a, Jaworowski et al. 1990, Jaworowski et al. 1992a, and Jaworowski et al. 1992b).

Some of these processes, which all cause fractionation of air components, are related to the solubility of gases: In cold water,  $CO_2$  is more than 70 times more soluble than nitrogen  $(N_2)$  and more than 30 times more soluble than oxygen  $(O_2)$ . Liquid water is commonly present in the polar snow and ice, even at the eutectic temperature of -73°C (see review in Jaworowski et al. 1992b).

Therefore, the conclusions on low pre-industrial atmospheric levels of greenhouse gases cannot be regarded as valid, before experimental studies exclude the existence of these fractionation processes. Such studies were proposed by this author (Jaworowski 1994a, Jaworowski et al. 1992b), but for years they were not performed. In response to criticism of the reliability of ice records, CO<sub>2</sub> glaciologists could only state that the ice core record itself proves that the changes in greenhouse gases are not caused by post-deposition processes, but accurately reflect atmospheric changes (Raynaud et al. 1993).

Only recently, many years after the ice-based edifice of anthropogenic warming had reached a skyscraper height, did glaciologists start to study the fractionation of gases in snow and ice (for example, Killawee et al. 1998), and the structure of snow and firn which might play a first-order role in changing gas chemistry and isotopic profiles in the ice sheets (Albert 2004, Leeman and Albert 2002, and Severinghaus et al. 2001). Recently, Brooks Hurd, a high-purity-gas analyst, confirmed the previous criticism of ice core CO<sub>2</sub> studies. He noted that the Knudsen diffusion effect, combined with inward diffusion, is depleting CO<sub>2</sub> in ice cores exposed to drastic pressure changes (up to 320 bars—more than 300 times normal atmospheric pressure), and that it minimizes variations and reduces the maximums (Hurd 2006).

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This is illustrated by comparing for the same time period, about 7,000 to 8,000 years before the present, two types of proxy estimates of CO<sub>2</sub>. The ice core data from the Taylor Dome, Antarctica, which are used to reconstruct the IPCC's official historical record, feature an almost completely flat time trend and range, 260 to 264 ppmv (Indermuhle et al. 1999). On the other hand, fossil leaf stomata indices<sup>2</sup> show CO<sub>2</sub> concentrations ranging widely by more than 50 ppmv, between 270 and 326 ppmv (Wagner et al. 2002).

This difference strongly suggests that ice cores are not a proper matrix for reconstruction of the chemical composition of the ancient atmosphere.

The  $CO_2$  ice core data are artifacts caused by processes in the ice sheets and in the ice cores, and have concentration values about 30 to 50% lower than in the original atmosphere. Ice is an improper matrix for such chemical studies, and even the most excellent analytical methods cannot be of help when the matrix and samples are wrong.

Before basic research on gas differentiation was even started, a plethora of glacier studies on temporal trends of greenhouse gases had been published during past decades, aiming to demonstrate that: 1) these gases are responsible for climatic changes, and 2) that their level in the atmosphere was increased by human activity. These studies are beset with a unilateral interpretation and manipulation of data, and with an arbitrary rejection of both the high greenhouse gas readings from the pre-industrial ice, and the low readings from the contemporary samples (Jaworowski 1994a, Jaworowski et al. 1992b).

Were the CO<sub>2</sub> ice core data and their interpretation correct, then they should be treated as evidence that during the past 650,000 years, CO<sub>2</sub> had no discernible effect on the global temperature. This for two reasons: first, the temperature increase appears *before* the claimed increase in CO<sub>2</sub>; and second, there are monotonically low proxy CO<sub>2</sub> levels in the ice cores during the periods of warm climate, both in ancient and modern times.

In the ice cores, the isotopically determined temperature signal and the signal of  $CO_2$  air concentrations are out of phase by hundreds to several thousands of years (Jaworowski et al. 1992b), with the temperature increases always *preceding* the rising  $CO_2$  levels, not the reverse (Caillon et al. 2003, Fischer et al. 1999, Idso 1988, Indermuhle et al. 2000, Monnin et al. 2001, and Mudelsee 2001). This suggests that the increasing temperature of the atmosphere is the causative factor for  $CO_2$  increases, probably via higher erosion of the land and gas exhalation from the warmer ocean.

We have observed this in modern times. Solubility of  $CO_2$  in warm water is lower than it is in cold. When climate warms, less  $CO_2$  can be retained in the upper 3,000-meter layer of oceans, and it is exhaled into the atmosphere, where the  $CO_2$ 



The co-chairmen of the IPCC Working Group I, in Paris, Feb. 2, after the "Summary for Policymakers" was approved by the group: Susan Solomon (center) and Dahe Qin (right). At left is Martin Manning, head of the Technical Support Unit.

content is more than 50 times lower than it is in the ocean. This is the reason that between 1880 and 1940, when the global average temperature warmed up by about  $0.5^{\circ}$ C, the direct measurements in the atmosphere registered a very large increase of  $CO_2$ , from about 290 ppmv in 1885 up to 440 ppmv in 1940—about 60 ppmv higher than now (Beck 2007). In this period, the man-made emissions of  $CO_2$  increased only by a factor of 5. Then, between 1949 and 1970, the global temperature decreased by about  $0.3^{\circ}$ C, and the atmospheric  $CO_2$  level dropped to about 330 ppmv (Boden et al. 1990). Now, when man-made  $CO_2$  emissions are 30 times higher than in 1880 (Marland et al. 2006), the  $CO_2$  atmospheric level is similar to that recorded before the 1940s climatic warm event.

The CO<sub>2</sub> concentrations in the air inclusions in ice, which are assumed to be pre-industrial or ancient, are always about 100 ppmv below the current atmospheric level (Indermuhle et al. 1999, Pearman et al. 1986, Petit et al. 1999; see also the review in Jaworowski et al. 1992b). Yet, during the past 420,000 years, the climate was often much warmer than the present, (Andersen et al. 2004, Chumakov 2004, Ruddiman 1985, Shackleton and Opdyke 1973, Zubakov and Borzenkova 1990, and Robin 1985). Even about 120,000 years ago, when the global surface temperature was as much as 5°C higher than now (Andersen et al. 2004), the atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> concentration derived from glacier data was only 240 pmmv (Petit et al. 1999)—that is, below the current level by some 130 ppmv.

More recently, during the Holocene (8,000 to 10,000 years before the present) when the temperature of the Arctic was  $5^{\circ}$ C warmer than now (Brinner and al. 2006), ice core records show a  $CO_2$  level of about 260 ppmv (IPCC 2007).

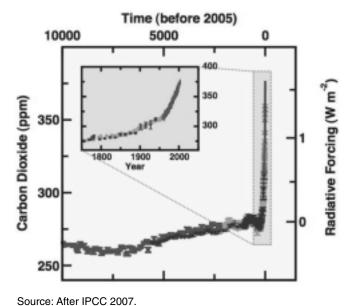
<sup>2.</sup> Leaf surfaces have stomata, or small pores, which allow carbon dioxide to enter the leaf and oxygen to escape in the process of photosynthesis.

#### The Hockey Stick Curves

On the basis of assumption piled upon assumption, several versions of CO<sub>2</sub> "hockey stick curves" were compiled, by combining the distorted proxy ice core data and the recent direct atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> measurements. The authors of such studies claimed that their curves represent the atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> levels during the past 300 years (Neftel et al. 1985, Pearman et al. 1986, Siegenthaler and Oeschger 1987), or the past 10,000 years (in the "Summary for Policymakers"), **Figure 1**, or even the past 400,000 years (Wolff 2003). They all show low pre-industrial CO<sub>2</sub> concentrations, ranging from about 180 to 280 ppmv during the past 400,000 years, and soaring up to about 370 ppmv at the end of the 20th Century. These so-called hockey stick curves were published countless times as a proof of the anthropogenic increase of CO<sub>2</sub> in the atmosphere. They were created by illegitimately mixing the false proxy ice core data with direct measurements in the atmosphere.

However, the worst manipulation was the arbitrary changing of the age of the gas trapped in the upper part of the core, where the pressure changes were less drastic than in the deeper parts. In this part of the core, taken from Siple, Antarctica, the ice was deposited in the year 1890, and the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration in it was 328 ppmv (Friedli et al. 1986, Neftel et al. 1985),

The CO<sub>2</sub> 'Hockey Stick' Curve



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A false representation of the  $CO_2$  atmospheric concentration trend over the past 10,000 years. Values before 1958 do not represent the atmospheric concentrations, but the artifacts caused by depletion of  $CO_2$  from ice, and by arbitrarily changing the age of samples.

and not the 290 ppmv needed to prove the man-made warming hypothesis. The same  $CO_2$  concentration of 328 ppmv was measured in the air collected directly from the atmosphere at the Mauna Loa volcano, Hawaii, 83 years later in 1973 (Boden et al. 1990). So, it was shockingly clear that the preindustrial level of  $CO_2$  was the same as in the second half of the 20th Century.

To solve this "problem," these researchers simply made an *ad hoc* assumption: The age of the gas recovered from 1 to 10 grams of ice was arbitrarily decreed to be exactly 83 years younger than the ice in which it was trapped! This was not supported by any experimental evidence, but only by assumptions which were in conflict with the facts (Jaworowski 1994a, Jaworowski et al. 1992b). The "corrected" proxy ice data were then smoothly aligned with the direct atmospheric measurements from Mauna Loa (**Figures 2a and 2b**).

Thus, falsified CO<sub>2</sub> "hockey stick curves" were presented in all the IPCC reports, including Figure 1 in the "Summary for Policymakers" in 2007. These hockey sticks were credulously accepted by almost everyone, together with other information on greenhouse gases determined in the ice cores, which were plagued by improper manipulation of data, an arbitrary rejection of high readings from old ice, and an arbitrary rejection of the low readings from the young ice, simply because they did not fit the preconceived idea of man-made global warming. It is a habit that become all too common in greenhouse gas and other environmental studies (Jaworowski 1994a, Jaworowski 1994b, and Jaworowski et al. 1992b).

#### Direct CO<sub>2</sub> Measurements in the Atmosphere

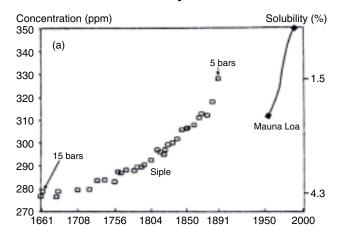
We thus find ourselves in the situation that the entire theory of man-made global warming—with its repercussions in science, and its important consequences for politics and the global economy—is based on ice core studies that provided a false picture of the atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> levels. Meanwhile, more than 90,000 direct measurements of CO<sub>2</sub> in the atmosphere, carried out in America, Asia, and Europe between 1812 and 1961, with excellent chemical methods (accuracy better than 3%), were arbitrarily rejected. These measurements had been published in 175 technical papers. For the past three decades, these well-known direct CO<sub>2</sub> measurements, recently compiled and analyzed by Ernst-Georg Beck (Beck 2006a, Beck 2006b, Beck 2007), were completely ignored by climatologists—and not because they were wrong. Indeed, these measurements were made by several Nobel Prize winners, using the techniques that are standard textbook procedures in chemistry, biochemistry, botany, hygiene, medicine, nutrition, and ecology. The only reason for rejection was that these measurements did not fit the hypothesis of anthropogenic climatic warming. I regard this as perhaps the greatest scientific scandal of our time.

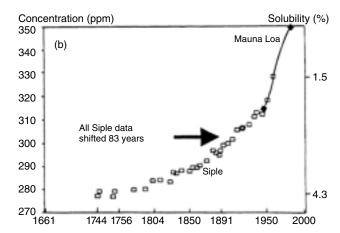
From among this treasure of excellent data (ranging up to 550 ppmv of measured CO<sub>2</sub> levels), the founders of the anthropogenic global warming hypothesis (Callendar 1949,

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FIGURE 2(a) and (b)

#### Mother of All CO<sub>2</sub> Hockey Curves





Source: Adapted from Friedli et al. 1986 and Neftel et al. 1985.

Concentration of  $CO_2$  in air bubbles from the pre-industrial ice from Siple, Antarctica (open squares), and in the 1958-1986 atmosphere at Mauna Loa, Hawaii (solid line). In (a), the original Siple data are given without assuming an 83-year-younger age of air than the age of the enclosing ice. In (b), the same data are shown after an arbitrary correction of the age of air.

Callendar 1958, and Keeling 1986) selected only a tiny fraction of the data and doctored it, to select out the low concentrations and reject the high values—all in order to set a falsely low pre-industrial average CO<sub>2</sub> concentration of 280 ppmv as the basis for all further climatic speculations. This manipulation has been discussed several times since the 1950s (Fonselius et al. 1956, Jaworowski et al. 1992b, and Slocum 1955), and more recently and in-depth by Beck 2007.

The results of Ernst-Georg Beck's monumental study of a large body of direct atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> measurements from the 19th and 20th Century, smoothed as five-year averages, are presented in **Figure 3.** The measurements show that the most important political message of the IPCC in 2007 is wrong: It is not true that the CO<sub>2</sub> atmospheric level during the pre-industrial era was about 25% lower than it is now, and it is not true that anthropogenic emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> have caused what is actually our beneficially warm climate today.

Direct atmospheric measurements indicate that between 1812 and 1961, the concentrations of CO<sub>2</sub> fluctuated by about 150 ppmv, up to values much higher than those of today. Except for the year 1885, these direct measurements were always higher than the ice core data, which are devoid of any variations. During the 149 years from 1812 to 1961, there were three periods when the average CO<sub>2</sub> concentration was much higher than it was in 2004, 379 ppmv (IPCC 2007): Around the year 1820, it was about 440 ppmv; around 1855, it was 390 ppmv; and around 1940, it was 440 ppmv. Data compiled by Beck (Beck 2007) suggest also that changes of the CO<sub>2</sub> atmospheric concentration *followed*, rather than preceded, the temperature changes. These findings make the man-made global warming hypothesis invalid.

#### **Anthropogenic Warming That Isn't**

The second most important message of the "Summary for Policymakers" of 2007 is that "Most of the observed increase in globally averaged temperatures since the mid-20th century is very likely due to the observed increase in anthropogenic greenhouse concentrations." However, neither the "Summary for Policymakers" document, nor the three former IPCC reports, supported this statement with any convincing scientific evidence.

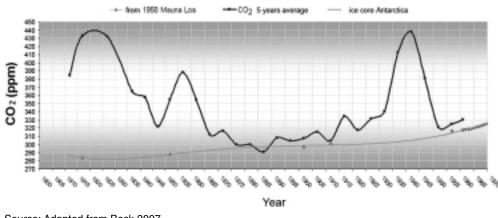
The infamous temperature hockey stick curve, the leading symbol of the IPCC report in 2001, was created to show that the global average temperature in the 1990s was unusual and the highest in the past 1,000 years. The Medieval Warming (the years 950 to 1300), well documented in the former IPCC reports, disappeared from this hockey stick curve, as did the earlier Roman Warm Period (200 B.C. to 600 A.D.), the Holocene Warm Period (8,000 to 5,000 years before the present), and the deep cooling of the Little Ice Age (the years 1350 to 1850)—**Figure 4.** 

The fraudulence of this hockey stick curve was documented by Legates 2002, Legates 2003, McIntyre and McKitrick 2003, Soon 2003, Soon and Baliunas 2003, and Soon et al. 2003. But criticism of the IPCC 2001 hockey stick curve of temperature appeared to be a mine field: The six editors of the journal *Climate Research* who dared to publish the Soon and Baliunas 2003 paper were fired by the publisher. In the "Summary for Policymakers" 2007 report, the IPCC truncated its original 1,000-year-long hockey stick temperature curve by a factor of 10, starting it at 1850, exactly at the time when the Earth's climate began to recover by natural forces from the Little Ice Age, when the emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> had been

#### FIGURE 3

# First Reconstruction of Trends in CO<sub>2</sub> Atmospheric Concentration Based on Actual Measurement

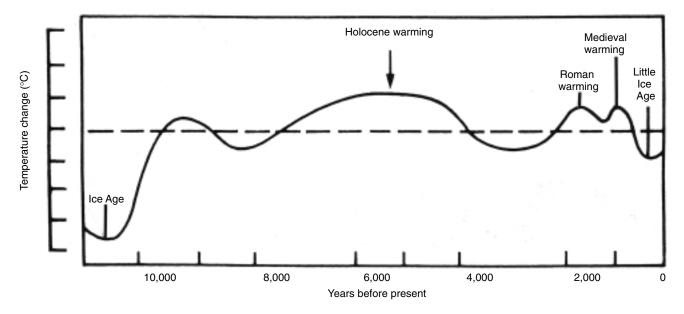
#### CO2 -1812 - 2004 Northern Hemisphere , Chemical Measurement



This first reconstruction of trends in CO<sub>2</sub> concentration in the Northern Hemisphere is based on more than 90,000 direct chemical measurements in the atmosphere at 43 stations, between 1812 and 2004. The lower line are the values from Antarctic ice core artifacts. The diamonds on the lower line (after 1958) are infrared CO<sub>2</sub> measurements in air from Mauna Loa, Hawaii.

Source: Adapted from Beck 2007.

# FIGURE 4 Global Temperature Variations for Last 10,000 Years



Source: IPCC 1990.

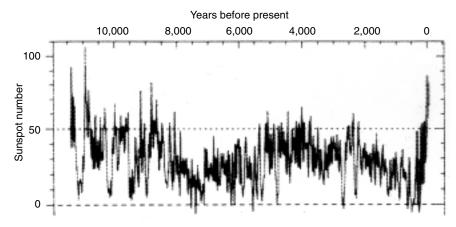
The dotted line represents temperature near the beginning of the 20th Century. In its 2001 and 2007 reports, the IPCC ignored the earlier parts of this curve, presenting only the modern warming.

135 times lower than they are now (Marland et al. 2006).

This natural recovery from the Little Ice Age is interpreted by the IPCC as a man-made calamity; the IPCC regards the last 50 years as the warmest in the past 1,300 years because of fossil fuel burning. This monothematic line of thinking does not take into account the astronomical evidence that these last 50 years have had the highest solar activity of the past several thousand years. There has not been an equally

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# FIGURE 5 Solar Activity Represented by Sunspot Number During the Past 11,400 Years



Source: Sunspot data from Solanki et al. 2004; cosmic ray flux from Usoskin et al. 2003.

The solar activity represented by sunspot number reconstructed from carbon-14 data for the years 11,000 before the present, and from telescopic observations since the year 1610. The level of solar activity during the past 70 years is exceptionally high. The previous high activity occurred more than 8,000 years ago.

Fluctuations of solar activity are followed by cosmic ray flux, the lower energy fraction of which is presently 40% lower than in 1900. There is a general similarity between the Sunspot number and temperature fluctuations: Both show a slowly decreasing trend just prior to 1900, followed by a steep rise that is unprecedented during the last millennium.

high activity of the Sun since more than 8,000 years ago (**Figure 5**), and the Sun has been the dominant cause of the strong warming during the past three decades (Solanki et al. 2004).

# Cosmoclimatology: Cosmic Rays and The Sun Rule the Climate

For about the past 15 years, we have had a rapid development of a new scientific field: cosmoclimatology. It was started by a seminal paper by Friis-Christensen and Lassen in 1991, in which they documented a close relationship between solar activity and the surface temperature of the Earth. (This development was reviewed by Svensmark in 2007.) Later studies demonstrated that the main mechanism by which cosmic factors regulate our weather are cosmic rays penetrating the Earth's atmosphere. Their flux is determined by fluctuations of magnetic fields of the Sun and by the Solar System migration over the varying environments of the Milky Way, with different concentration of dust and activity of novas.

The variations of cosmic-ray flux are an order of magnitude greater than those caused by the Sun. Cosmic rays rule the climate by producing an ionization of air molecules at the rate required to have a measurable impact on climate. Ionization helps to create condensation nuclei in the troposphere, needed for cloud formation. At low solar activity (or in

some parts of Milky Way), more cosmic radiation penetrates into the troposphere, and more clouds are formed, which act as an umbrella to protect the Earth against irradiance by the Sun.

Recently, experimental evidence was provided for a mechanism by which cosmic rays can affect the cloud cover (Svensmark 2007). This cover exerts a strong cooling effect, which offers a mechanism for solar-driven climate change that is much more powerful than the small 0.1% variations in the solar irradiance.

According to Khilyuk and Chilingar (2006), the total anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emission throughout human history constitutes less than 0.00022% of the total CO<sub>2</sub> amount naturally degassed from the mantle of the Earth during geological history. Anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emission is negligible in any energymatter transformation processes changing the Earth's climate. The forces of nature that are driving the climate (solar irradiation, fluctuating along with solar activity and orbital deviations, outgassing, and microbial activities) are 4 to 5 orders of magnitude greater than the corresponding anthropogenic impacts

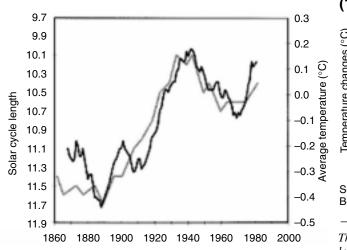
on the Earth's climate (such as heating and emission of greenhouse gases), even without accounting for the cosmic ray influences.

Human beings may be responsible for less than 0.01°C of warming during the last century; the hypothesis that the currently observed "Modern Warming" is a result of anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub>, and of other greenhouse gas emissions, is a myth.

The cosmoclimatic factors account for climate fluctuations on the decadal, centennial, and millennial timescales. During the Little Ice Age (1350 to 1850) the exceptionally weak solar magnetic field of the Sun, reflected by an extremely low sunspot number during the Maunder Minimum (1645 to 1715), coincided with its coldest phase. Another sunspot minimum, the Dalton Minimum of the early 19th Century, was associated with another cold phase.

On the other hand, the Medieval Warm and the Modern Warm periods showed excellent matches with the low cosmic ray intensities, governed by solar cycles. During the past several 10,000s to 6,000 years, temperature events corresponded well to solar perturbations, suggesting that the driving force of the Holocene temperature fluctuations was caused by solar activity, and related to this, by cosmic ray flux (Bashkirtsev and Mashnich 2003, Dergachev and Rasporov 2000, Friis-Christensen and Lassen 1991, Marsh and Svensmark 2000,

# FIGURE 6 **Average Northern Hemisphere Temperature**



Source: After Friis-Christensen and Lassen 1991.

The average Northern Hemisphere temperature (gray line)follows almost exactly the solar activity reflected by the length of the sunspot cycle (black line).

Svensmark and Friis-Christensen 1997, Xu et al. 2005, Xu et al. 2006, Bago and Buttler 2000, and Soon et al. 2000), rather than by  $CO_2$  changes, which lag behind the temperature changes, and appear to be an effect, not the cause of temperature variations (**Figure 6**).

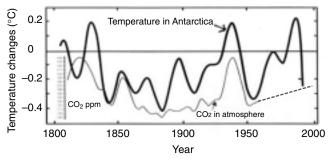
Over the longer intervals, the changing galactic environment of the Solar System had dramatic consequences in the past, including "Snowball Earth" episodes (2,300 million and 700 million years ago), when all the Earth was frozen. The climate fluctuated rather regularly throughout the past 3 billion years of the Earth's history, evolving gradually towards cooling and the increased frequency, duration, and scale of glaciation (Chumakov 2004). Periodic climatic changes, recognizable by geological methods, can be divided into five categories: 1) super-long fluctuations (approximately 150 million years); 2) long fluctuations (a few to 15 million years); 3) middle fluctuations (1 million to about 10 million years); 4) short fluctuations (few tens to hundreds of thousands of years); and 5) ultra-short fluctuations (millennial, centennial, and shorter).

During the Phanerozoic Era (the past 545 million years) the Earth passed through four super-long climate cycles, probably related to the cosmic ray flux changes, caused by passages of the Solar System through various environments of the spiral arms of the Milky Way (Shaviv and Veizer 2003).

The temperature fluctuations during the Phanerozoic varied in accordance with the cosmic ray flux, but revealed no relationship to CO<sub>2</sub> content in the atmosphere. Two long and extensive glaciations occurred in this period, at the time of

#### FIGURE 7

# Average Surface Temperature in Antarctica (1800-1999)



Source: Upper line, from Schneider et al. 2006; lower line from Beck 2007 and NOAA 2006.

The upper line represents the average surface temperatures at five locations in Antarctica between 1800 and 1999, as reconstructed from stable isotope measurements of ice. The lower line represents direct  $CO_2$  measurements in the atmosphere in the Northern Hemisphere. The dashed line are data from Mauna Loa, Hawaii.

CO<sub>2</sub> minima, at about 300 million years before the present, and were interpreted as an indication that the CO<sub>2</sub> atmospheric greenhouse effect was a principal control of climate over geologic time (Berner 1998).

However, long and extensive glaciations also existed twice, between 353 and 444 million years ago, when the  $CO_2$  level in the atmosphere was up to 7 and 17 times higher than today (Chumakov 2004). The paleogeographic studies provided proxy data on global climatic gradients in the Phanerozoic (Berner 1997), which show no relationship with the  $CO_2$  atmospheric concentration estimated by Boucot et al. in 2004. Assigning a long-term principal control of climate to trace concentrations of a single agent, the  $CO_2$  gas, which currently contributes about 2% to the total greenhouse effect (Lindzen 1991), and neglecting the 98% contribution of water, and the contribution from the other factors listed below, conflicts with the cosmoclimatic data.

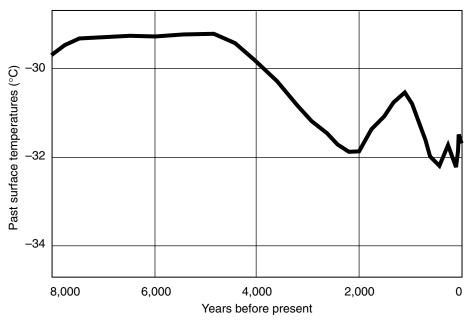
The temperature fluctuations in five Antarctic regions, reconstructed from the ice core stable isotope records between 1800 and 1999, are similar to the CO<sub>2</sub> fluctuations measured directly in the atmosphere since 1812 (**Figure 7**). According to the IPCC, the highest rise of temperature caused by the emission of anthropogenic greenhouse gases, should occur in Antarctica and the Arctic. These predictions do not fit the temperature data in Figure 7, which, according to Schneider et al. 2006, are also representative for the whole Southern Hemisphere. In Antarctica, the temperature in the 1990s was lower than during many decades in the past two centuries, and much lower than the mean for 1961 to 1990, represented by the zero line.

In the northern part of the Earth, direct temperature mea-

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PIGURE 8

Direct Temperatures in Greenland Bore Hole for Last 10,000 Years



Source: After Dahl-Jensen et al. 1998.

These are direct temperatures measured in a bore hole in the Greenland ice sheet, over the last 8,000 years. Ice conducts heat very badly, and its original temperature is retained for thousands of years. Visible are the Holocene warming (3,500-7,000 years ago), and in our epoch, the Middle Ages warming (900-1,100 years ago), and the Little Ice Age (1350 to 1880). The temperature 1,000 years ago was higher there than today by 1°C.

surements in the boreholes at the Summit and Dye sites in Greenland (**Figure 8**) demonstrated that during the last 8,000 years, the temperature in the Arctic fluctuated similarly as the proxy global temperature reconstructed in the IPCC 1990 report (Figure 4), and that at the end of 20th Century, the temperature in the Arctic was lower than during the Medieval and Holocene Warmings. The proxy temperature reconstruction spanning nearly 2,500 years at Taimyr Peninsula in Russia (poleward of 70° N) revealed also the Holocene, Medieval, and Modern Warmings, with the first two warmer than the 20th Century one, in which the temperature peak appeared around 1940 (Naurzbayev et al. 2002).

Instrumental measurements of surface air temperature in the Arctic were started in 1874 in Greenland, followed by stations at Spitsbergen, Canada, and Russia. Since that year, until about 2000, the highest temperature at 37 Arctic and 6 sub-Arctic stations was observed in the 1930s, and was higher by about 2 to 5°C than those occurring prior to the 1920s. Even in the 1950s, the temperature in the Arctic was higher than in the 1990s. In Greenland, the level of temperature in the 1980s and in the 1990s was similar to that observed in the 19th Century (Przybylak 2000).

Other instrumental records covering the last 100 years demonstrate similar temperature fluctuations in the Arctic. According to Chylek et al. (2004), instrumental temperature measurements in Greenland show that the highest tempera-

ture there occurred in the 1920s, when in less than ten years it increased by 2-4°C, and at some stations even by 6°C. At that time, the anthropogenic emissions of  $CO_2$  were nine times lower than now (Marland et al. 2006).

Since 1940, however, the Greenland coastal data have predominantly undergone cooling. At the summit of the Greenland ice sheet, the summer average temperature has decreased at a rate of 2.2°C per decade, since the beginning of measurements in 1987. Similar results are reported for Arctic temperature measurements carried out between 1875 and 2000 (Polyakov et al. 2003). This is against all the predictions of climate models.

The disparity between the tropospheric and surface temperature trends measured by balloons and satellites, and the greenhouse models' predictions, was recently discussed by S. Fred Singer in a letter rejected by *Nature*, and published on Feb. 13, 2007 on http://blogs.nature.com/news/blog/2007/02/climate\_report.html. As stated by Singer, "Greenhouse models indicate that the tropics provide the most sensitive location for their validation: trends there [should] increase strongly with altitude, peaking at around 10 kilometers. Actual observations, however, show the opposite: flat or even decreasing tropospheric trend." This comparison of models with balloon and satellite data, contradicts the most important conclusion of IPCC that the current warming is "very likely" the result of human activities.

#### The Specter of Floods

The most trendy adverse effect of climate warming is the melting of the polar ice sheets, which, it is claimed, will cause catastrophic flooding of vast areas. From among a host of recent papers presenting evidence against these gloomy prophesies, I will refer only to a paper by my friend H. Jay Zwally, from NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, who for decades has used satellite techniques to measure the mass of the polar ice sheets. In his paper (Zwally et al. 2005), he presents the study of changes in ice mass derived from 10.5 years (Greenland) and 9 years (Antarctica) of satellite radar altimetry data.

Zwally et al. show that the Greenland ice sheet is thinning at the margins (-42 Gt per year) and growing inland (+53 Gt per year). This corresponds to a sea level *decrease* of -0.03 mm per year. In West Antarctica, the ice sheet is losing mass (at -47 Gt per year), and in East Antarctica, it is gaining mass (+16 Gt per year). The combined net change of -31 Gt, corresponds to +0.08 mm per year of sea-level rise. Hence, they report, "the contribution of the three ice sheets to sea level is +0.05 mm per year."

During the period studied, the Antarctic Western Ice Shelf changed its mass by –95 Gt per year, and the Eastern one changed by +142 Gt per year (together their mass increased by 47 Gt per year). The contribution of polar ice of 0.05 mm per year to sea-level rise is small, in comparison to the real sea-level rise observed from satellite altimetry of 2.8 mm per year. The ice sheets' contribution would take 1,000 years to raise global sea level by just 5 cm, and it would take 20,000 years to raise it 1 meter.

People are frustrated by the prospect of flooding the Pacific and Indian Ocean islands by our sinful activity. A good example of the futility of such fears is the beautiful archipelago of the Maldives in the central Indian Ocean, which consists of some 1,200 individual islands, grouped in about 20 larger atolls. They rise from a depth of about 2,500 meters, and consist of coral reefs, coral reef debris, and coral sand. Their elevation is only 1 to 2 meters. Hence, they have been condemned to disappear in the sea in the near future (IPCC 2001).

Multiple geomorphological and sedimentological investigations, and satellite altimetry measurements by Morner et al. (2004) contradict this dire hypothesis. The islands existed prior to the last glaciation maximum, and have been inhabited for at least 1,500 years before the present. During this period, at around 1,000 to 800 years before the present, that is, during the Medieval Warming, the inhabitants survived a sea level that was some 50 to 60 cm higher than it is now (**Figure 9**). During the past decades, both the satellite altimetry and gauge records do not



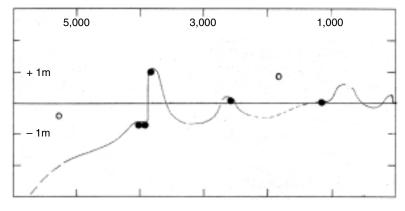
Courtesy of Zhigniew Jaworowski

The author (right) working with ion exchange columns in a laboratory tent at Kahiltna Glacier, Alaska, 1977.

record any significant rise in sea level at the Maldives. Some 100 to 30 years ago, the sea level was 20 to 30 cm higher than it is today. There is firm evidence that the sea level

FIGURE 9

Sea-Level Changes in Maldives



Source: After Morner et al. 2004.

Shown are the sea level changes in the Maldive Islands during the past 5,000 years. The sea level was above the present one at 3,900 years before the present (about 1 meter), at 2,700 years before the present (about 0.1 to 0.2 meter), at 1,000 (about 0.5 meter), and most recently between the years 1900 and 1970 (about 0.2 to 0.3 meter). During the last 30 years, the sea level fell by about 30 cm.

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fell there by 20 to 30 cm in the last 30 years, contrary to IPCC expectations.

#### The Near Future

During the past 2 million years, there have been some 20 Ice Ages, each lasting about 100,000 years, interspersed with warm interglacials, the duration of which was only about 10,000 years. The last Ice Age came to its end about 10,500 years ago; thus, our present interglacial seems to be a bit longer than average. The new Ice Age looms in waiting, and whether it comes in decades, centuries, or even a millennium, is a matter of speculation. It seems that its inescapable advent will be induced by natural cosmic factors rather than by terrestrial ones. The hypothesis, in vogue in the 1970s, stating that emissions of industrial dust will soon induce the new Ice Age, seem now to be a conceited anthropocentric exaggeration, bringing into discredit the science of that time. The same fate awaits the present CO<sub>2</sub> folly.

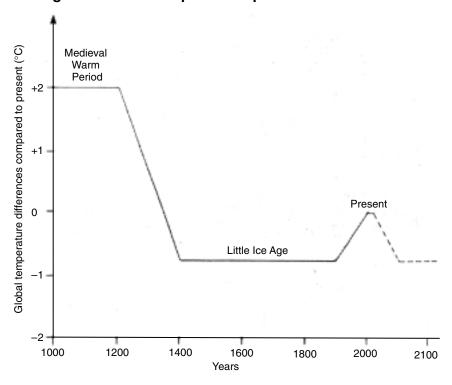
Using a novel multi-timescale analysis method to diagnose the variation of the annual mean global Northern Hemisphere and Chinese temperature data from 1881 to 2002, Zhen-Shan and Xian (2007) found four different quasi-

periodic oscillations, among which the 60-year timescale oscillation of temperature was the most prominent. Despite the increasing trend in the atmospheric  $CO_2$  concentration, the pattern of the 60-year temperature oscillation is in a descent. The authors concluded that the atmospheric  $CO_2$  concentration is not the key determinant of periodic variation of the global temperature, that the  $CO_2$  greenhouse effect has been excessively exaggerated, and that it is high time to reconsider the trend of global climate changes. Their analysis suggests that the global climate will be cooling in the next 20 years.

This conclusion is in agreement with the projections of Russian astronomers from the Institute of Solar-Terrestrial Physics in Irkutsk, who, from an analysis of the sunspot cycles for the period 1882-2000, deduced that the minimum of the secular cycle of solar activity will fall in the next cycle, in 2021-26, which will result in the minimum global temperature of the surface air (Bashkirtsev and Mashnich 2003). They found also that the temperature response of the air lags behind the sunspot cycles by about three years in Irkutsk, and by two years over the entire globe.

A similar projection, based on observations of the cyclic activity of the Sun, was announced from the Pulkovo Obser-

# FIGURE 10 **Average Northern Hemisphere Temperature**



This is a simplified graph of global atmospheric temperature change over the last 1,000 years, using data from Khilyuk and Chilingar 2006. The temperature projection (dotted line) is based on data in this present paper.

vatory, near St. Petersburg, Russia. The head of the Space Research Laboratory of the Observatory, Prof. Habibullo I. Abdussamatov, stated that instead of professed global warming, the Earth will be facing a slow decrease in temperatures in 2012-15. The gradual cooling will reach its maximum by 2040, and lead to a deep freeze around 2050 to 2060. This period of global freeze will last some 50 years, and will be comparable to the cooling that took place during the Little Ice Age in 1645-1715, when the temperature decreased by 1-2°C (Abdussamatov 2004, Abdussamatov 2005, and Abdussamatov 2006).

A similar impending cooling, with two new Little Ice Ages around 2100 and 2200, was envisaged by the late Prof. Theodor Landsheidt, founder of the Schroeter Institute for Research in Cycles of Solar Activity in Germany (Landscheidt 1995 and Landscheidt 2003).

During the past 3,000 years, one can observe a clear cooling trend in the Earth's climate (Keigwin et al. 1994, and Khilyuk and Chilingar 2006). During this period, the global temperature deviations were 3°C, with a trend of decreasing global temperature of about 2°C. As Khilyuk and Chilingar stated: "This cooling tendency will probably last in the future.

We live in the cooling geologic period and the global warming observed during the last approximately 150 years is just a short episode in the geologic history." This is reflected in **Figure 10.** 

Not man, but nature rules the climate. The Kyoto Protocol and the IPCC reports, tuned by Malthusian ideas, may surely make a lot of noise and cause enormous harm for the global economy and for the well-being of billions of people. But they can do nothing for the climate. This we shall learn in the near future.

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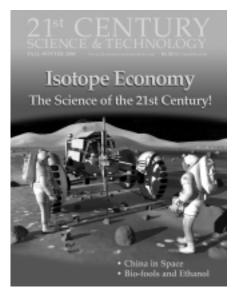
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CARRY TRADE, U.S. MORTGAGES

# The Global Financial System Is Burning at Both Ends

by Paul Gallagher

Only two weeks after the Bank of Japan triggered an unwinding of the yen carry trade with its Feb. 21 interest rate increase, one of the largest U.S. mortgage lending companies, Century Financial, declared itself effectively bankrupt and at the mercy of its bank lenders for more credit—credit those same banks cannot afford to give. And three of those lenders—Morgan Stanley, Merrill Lynch, and Goldman Sachs—by March 3, were being rated by their own securities traders virtually as issuers of junk paper.

During the second half of February and first week of March, the shrinking yen (and Swiss franc) carry trades, and the imploding markets for U.S. mortgage-backed securities, became the hammer and anvil of a disintegrating international financial system which has been blown up by larger and larger debt bubbles ever since the October 1987 stock crash. The biggest of all those bubbles by far—U.S. real estate mortgage values as of the end of 2006, half the assets of the U.S. banking system—is now going down.

"The amount of indebtedness outstanding is greater than could *ever* be repaid, so the system is hopelessly bankrupt," said leading economist Lyndon LaRouche at the opening of his March 7 webcast from Washington, D.C. Leading nations now must agree to replace that bankrupt system with the "New Bretton Woods" monetary reform LaRouche proposes, and issue new productive credits to replace the masses of collapsing debt—before a complete collapse of the dollar and monetary chaos make that impossible.

London has played a key role in triggering the carry trade reversal, and potential dollar collapse, in a possible repeat of Harold Wilson's British government's role in using a 1966-67 pound sterling crisis to destroy FDR's post-war Bretton Woods system. In the five days preceding the Bank of Japan move, Bank of England governors Mervyn King and David Blanchflower both made public statements that the British pound was overvalued and should fall—and it has fallen most rapidly against the yen. In the huge growth of central banks' currency reserves since 2001, the British pound has benefitted most from outflows from the Japanese yen; and London is in a position to play the game of reversing that flow—and sinking the dollar with it—to gain *political control* over a global financial crash.

#### 'The Great Unwind Has Started'

To give an idea of what LaRouche is pointing to: Estimates of household debt in the OECD countries are at roughly 90% of total GDP, compared to just 29% in 1990; estimates of corporate debt in those nations at the end of 2006 were at approximately 80% of GDP—compared to 55% in 1995—because of the global "leveraged takeover boom" which reached nearly \$4 trillion in takeovers during 2006. The 80%-of-GDP level was 20% above that of 1988, at the collapse of the 1980s takeover boom and the 1987 stock crash.

Since 1995, the yen carry trade—borrowing money in Japanese yen at virtual-zero interest, and investing it in high-interest speculations of all kinds, all over the world—has been the largest single driver of these debt bubbles. Various economists familiar with the yen carry trade, in discussions with *EIR* since Feb. 21, have estimated its annual pumping rate at anywhere between \$300 billion and \$1 trillion. Since Feb. 21, despite universal claims at that time in the financial media that Japan's interest-rate hike would "have no impact on the carry trade," it has begun to unwind with a force felt

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worldwide (see "Japan Interest-Rate Hike Could Collapse the System," *EIR*, March 2).

Now, as one economist in Asia wrote March 2, "The huge outflow of yen will come to a halt," and the dollar is likely to go down to 100-105 yen within a short time.

Perhaps the biggest receptacle of this debt speculation, the U.S. mortgage-based securities market, has been struck hard—and it was already disintegrating before the Bank of Japan move and the rise of the yen. As an official of Dresdner Kleinwort bank, which warned clients a month earlier that an explosion could be about to hit the hedge funds from this direction, said on March 2, "We believe 'the great unwind' has now started." As several economists have noted, the uncertainty about how fast this debt will collapse, is caused only by the terra incognita nature of the mortgage securities market, the roughly \$30 trillion credit derivatives partly based on it, and the hedge funds which buy, sell, and bet on these debt securities and derivative contracts. These debt markets are opaque: No government, regulator, or market participant knows how concentrated this debt paper is, or who holds it.

On March 2, it became clear that California-based New Century Financial Corp, the second-largest lender of subprime mortgages and one of the biggest mortgage firms overall, was poised to go under, with \$40-70 billion in subprime mortgages alone. Its stock had fallen by 93%, and its filing that day said that a failure to obtain waivers from lenders or find new funding sources could cause "substantial doubt" over its ability to remain in business. Since November 2006, some 25 mortgage lenders have failed, but this is by far the biggest. On March 5, Bloomberg reported, "The fate of New Century Financial Corp. may rest with securities firms including Morgan Stanley and UBS that once staked the U.S. mortgage company to more than \$17 billion and bought its loans by the thousands." But that same day, traders at Morgan, Merrill, and Goldman were rating their own banks' mortgage securities and credit derivatives at five or six levels below the banks' "official" credit ratings—almost as junk paper.

At the same time, the Crown's Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corp. (HSBC) confirmed March 5, that it took a \$10.6 billion impairment charge, that is, loss, on its bad mortgage loans for 2006.

In fact, the whole subprime mortgage-backed securities market was turning illiquid, freezing up, with interest rates quoted at a radioactive 15% above U.S. Treasury bond rates. The issuance of Residential Mortgage Backed Securities (RMBS) against subprime mortgages, plunged nearly 60% from January to February. In March, even Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, and the biggest bank purchasers of these mortgages were becoming unable to re-issue them as securities—which made the Federal Reserve's panic issuance of new, restrictive guidelines for them on March 5, appear ludicrous.

By March 7, the contagion of rapidly rising "risk premiums" on debt based on subprime mortgages, had already begun spreading into other debt markets: securities and derivatives based on "mid-prime" mortgages, on European corporate bonds, and then on U.S. *commercial* mortages.

This contagion is the "disintegration" of the financial system LaRouche speaks of, as increasing categories of unpayable debt can't be rolled over into new debt securities—and it is not stoppable except by a thoroughgoing bankruptcy reorganization, carried out by leading governments.

This meltdown is blasting hard at the real U.S. economy lying underneath. On March 8, Moodys.com estimated, for example, that the housing market, which has been laying off U.S. workers at 25,000-plus/month, is going to escalate its job losses to 75,000/month in the second and third quarters of 2007. Moodys' economist Mark Zandi forecast that "Most lenders... are not going to fool around; they're going to put the foreclosed properties up for sale fast, at a discount, to move the properties." This will rapidly depress prices and sales. which are already falling. The auto industry is already shrinking at a 10,000 jobs/month pace, and other manufacturing industry is losing 15,000 jobs monthly.

#### **Hedge Funds' Losses**

As the opaque, \$30 trillion credit derivatives market shakes, the hedge funds and banks that dominate this market are getting hit with widespread losses, by all reports. Trading volume on credit default swaps indexes in European markets was estimated at "three times the average weekly volume," by Deutsche Bank and Dresdner Kleinwort. Volumes on U.S. collateralized debt obligation (CDO) markets were thought to be even larger. "Both [Wall] Street and clients have been caught long.... Some peoples' year was wiped out on Tuesday [Feb. 27]," reported Martin Schüler of Dresdner.

Reports filed on March 6 by three big Europe-based hedge funds (all in the range of \$3-8 billion in capital under management) gave a window into the big hedge funds' losses in February and early March, as the carry trades started unwinding and "financial disintegration" accelerated. Man Group's AHL Diversified Futures Ltd. fund dropped 8.2% in first week of March, and has lost 7.2% for the year to date; Winton Capital's Futures Fund lost 5.9% in February, and Transtrend's Enhanced Risk fund fell 4.1% in February, and has lost 5.7% for the year to date.

At the point the Bank of Japan raised rates on Feb. 21, the yen carry trade—or, the "yen short position" in currency markets—was at 97% of its highest volume in history. Last time the yen carry trade reached record levels and then was punctured and quickly "unwound," was in 1998, with the Russian GKO bond default and subsequent meltdown of the large LTCM hedge fund, later admitted by both International Monetary Fund and Federal Reserve officials to have nearly collapsed the international financial system. In that 1998 "unwinding," through early 1999, the dollar fell by more than 20%. Lyndon LaRouche has warned repeatedly that London, and some stupid U.S. economic interests—are threatening to trigger a *further* 20% dollar plunge, and international monetary and financial chaos.

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# **ERInternational**

# Copenhagen Riots Open New Phase of 'Strategy of Tension'

by Dean Andromidas and Claudio Celani

A new "strategy of tension"\* has been unleashed against Europe. The rioting of youth that engulfed Copenhagen on the night of March 1, and continued for several days, was only the opening campaign under the cover of the "Anti-G-8 Summit" movement. Its purpose is to create a European-wide climate of violence, terror, and political assassination targetting those forces who seek positive solutions for the onrushing financial and political crisis, especially with the development of the "New Politics" in the United States, after the November 2006 U.S. Congressional elections.

In January, the Anti-G-8 movement released a leaflet and other propaganda calling for wilder and wilder actions to create "a new world order" by the time the G-8 summit takes place in June. A month before, these same propaganda outlets were mobilizing for mass actions to protest the announced closing of the Ungdomhuset (Youth House) in Denmark.

The three days of street battles in Copenhagen were coordinated with actions in Hamburg, Germany, where 800 Autonomists battled with police. Smaller demonstrations took place in cities throughout Europe, including the German cities of Berlin, Hannover, Braunschweig, Göttingen, Flensburg, Karlsruhe, Mainz, and Frankfurt. Similar protests were orchestrated in Oslo, Norway; Gothenburg and Stockholm, Sweden; Helsinki, Finland; Vienna, Austria; Athens, Greece, and Istanbul, Turkey.

No sooner had the streets of Copenhagen returned to

The entire crisis appears artificially created when one considers that the city of Copenhagen sold the house to a fundamentalist sect called "Faderhuset" (Father's House), which bought it explicitly to expel the "satanic" youth who had been squatting there for years. The leaders of this sect are Ruth and Knud Evensen, who founded the cult after Ruth had a "vision." When the first eviction notice was delivered last December, the riots commenced.

One of the key foreign organizations providing legal and political support for the Autonomists is the Anarchist Black Cross, whose Copenhagen chapter was based at the Youth House. The ABC has its roots in the anarchist movement of czarist Russia, where its main activity was mobilizing legal and political support for anarchist prisoners. In more recent times, its key leader in England was the British intelligence-linked anarchist Stuart Christie, who was arrested in Franco's Spain in the 1960s, while trying to bring explosives into the country. He was released after a campaign led by Bertrand Russell and Jean-Paul Sartre.

Since then, ABC has developed into two organizations: 1) The Anarchist Black Cross Federation, with an extensive network in the United States, has been identified by the FBI as a violent revolutionary organization; 2) the Anarchist Black Cross Network, of which the Copenhagen chapter is a member, is headquartered in Houston, Texas, and has a large international network throughout Europe, including Britain, Ger-

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normal, than Autonomist groups in Italy occupied the Danish consulate in Venice, saying that they would turn the nearby city of Padua into another Copenhagen because city officials there announced that they would close down a youth house. Like its Danish counterpart, this youth house has been the center of the Autonomist movement for the last three decades.

<sup>\*</sup> The "strategy of tension" refers to events of the 1970s in Italy, when orchestrated terrorist actions were used by covert intelligence networks to justify constitutional changes, restrictions of civil liberties, and other political decisions intended to usher in a dictatorial process. See the LaRouche in 2004 campaign Special Report, "The Synarchist Resurgence Behind the Madrid Train Bombing of March 11, 2004," available at www.larouchepac.com.



Demolition of the Ungdomhuset (Youth House) in Copenhagen on March 5. The announced closing of the hang-out, a center of the "autonomist" movement, led to riots and street battles with police, with more threatened.

many, Greece, France, Spain, the Scandinavian countries, and Eastern Europe.

#### The New Politics vs. Boomer Terrorism

This new strategy of tension is directed at what Lyndon LaRouche has defined as the "New Politics," the emergence of the generation of 18- to 35-year-olds as the decisive element for positive change. It is the mobilization of this generation into political action to save the world from the Baby-Boomer generation, which has been brainwashed by decades of anti-growth and anti-technology policies, and now holds dominant positions in government, education, and the economy.

Behind the scenes, however, the old networks of aging members of the terrorist organizations of the 1970s and 1980s are reactivating in a coordinated way throughout Europe, deployed by the same centers that deployed them 30 years ago. Therefore, it is not surprising that a recent poll taken in Copenhagen showed that the majority of 18- to 35-year-olds expressed disapproval of the rioting Autonomists, while the majority of Baby Boomers supported them. This is not just passive support. In a television interview, Danish Justice Min-

ister Lene Espersen denounced the parents of many of these Autonomists, as the ones who deployed them—because many of the parents are themselves former Autonomists and house squatters.

Attesting to the fact that the rioters were directed by the Baby-Boomer generation is the fact that the Jagtvej 69 Foundation, set up in an attempt to buy the house back, was created by one of the founders of the "BZ movement" of Danish house-squatters, Martin Sundbøll, who now owns an electrical company. The foundation's lawyer is Kund Foldschack, who is also the lawyer of Freetown Christiania, one of the world's oldest squatter sites. Based at an old Copenhagen military base, it was occupied by squatters in the 1970s; many of them still live there, and it is notorious for drug dealing, crime, and as a base for the Autonomist movement.

Ironically, the birth of Christiania was originally promoted by Ritt Bierregaard, the free-market liberal politician who today, 30 years later, is the mayor of Copenhagen. It was she who signed the order to sell Ungdomhuset to the Christian fundamentalist sect. Thirty years ago, the LaRouche organization led an international campaign against Bierregaard for promoting Christiania. Since then, she has been the European Union Commissioner for Environment, initiating restrictions on the chemical industry, and presiding over the signing of the Kyoto Protocol. Throughout, she has been the useful idiot in place for the oligarchy.

#### **Italy: Next Showdown?**

The G-8 meeting of heads of state and government is planned for June 6-8 in Heiligendamm, Germany, and the European Autonomist movement is mobilizing against that target. However, another "chaos" scenario could develop before that, in Padua, Italy, where the city administration has announced its decision to tear down the Autonomist "Pedro" youth center, which has been in operation for decades. Padua has been a hotbed of Italian and European Autonomists, instigated by Toni Negri at the University of Padua in the 1970s. After Negri was indicted, in 1979, for terrorist activity, his Autonomia Operaia was disbanded, but survived in the form of a myriad of "social centers" throughout Italy, whose leader today is Luca Casarini. Eventually, the Autonomi spawned the "White Overalls" and the "Disubbidienti" (Disobedients). Casarini and his Disubbidienti have been part of the Ungdomhuset battles in Copenhagen, and have been arrested by Danish police in the past. On March 6, Casarini led a twohour occupation of the Danish Consulate in Venice.

Now, the Autonomist-Disubbidienti have announced that if the Padua administration goes ahead with its plans to tear down the social center, they will turn Padua into another Copenhagen.

Denmark, Italy: Is somebody fanning the flames? Yes. The chief ideologue of the 1977 Autonomist upsurge, Negri, is now hyperactive Europe-wide to promote "antagonistic" forms of "anti-capitalist struggles," not different from those

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that turned thousands of youth into violent Jacobin mobs 30 years ago. In Padua, on Dec. 13, 2006, Negri addressed about 500 Disubbidienti, presenting his new book, *Goodbye Mr. Socialism.* His message, as reported by *Corriere del Veneto* journalist Davide D'Attino, was: "Today, more than ever, there is room for movements from down under. Because power is structurally divided, and even if it verbally claims absolute sovereignty, in reality, it continually has to negotiate room for action and sovereignty itself, with centrifugal thrusts originated by society."

Negri's theory, as formulated in his previous book, *Empire*, is that the nation-state is the enemy, and therefore globalization, as long as it destroys the nation-state, is to be *supported*. According to a former member of the terrorist Red Brigades, Negri's rantings in *Empire* are very close to the Red Brigades' formulations.

Now, Negri (or his string-pullers) has re-published his old pro-terrorist writings, under the title, *The Arson Books*. He presented them at a public conference in Padua on March 1. Negri, now 74, was introduced by an "old pupil," Adelino Zanini, now an economics professor who is a expert on Adam Smith. Zanini, 53, graduated in 1977 in Padua (when Negri was the political kingpin at the university), with a dissertation on Karl Marx. Today Zanini looks like the marooned Tom Hanks in the movie "Castaway," and he adamantly defends Negri and the 1977 movement—at the same time that he is a leading promoter of British free-market theories!

This should not be a surprise for those who have read LaRouche's exposure of how the Anglo-Dutch oligarchy has historically deployed anarchist and Jacobin movements. Zanini himself explained, in a conversation with *EIR*, that he "started to fall in love with Smith" when he was asked to write the first Italian translation of Smith's *The Theory of Moral Sentiments*. He defended Smith as a critic of the colonial system and of protectionism, which he characterizes as "very progressive." Asked what his friend Negri thinks about Adam Smith, Zanini said that Negri shares his views. Zanini provided a web address where Negri indeed has a short endorsement of one of Zanini's books.

At the Padua conference March 1, Negri, according to journalist D'Attino, attacked Padua Mayor Flavio Zanonato and local historian Angelo Ventura, who has written about Negri as a terrorist. "Zanonato and all of them are real enemies," Negri said. He also targetted the small industrialists of the Veneto region, calling them "little monsters, still connected to a direct slave system." Negri himself lives on a 3,108-euro monthly pension for having been a member of the Italian Parliament in 1993, when he was elected with the Radical Party in order to escape jail. He attended Parliament sessions nine times and then escaped to France. There he was protected by the French government and taught at the Paris VIII University, a 68er offspring. In 1997, Negri returned to Italy under a deal by which he spent a few months in jail, and then was freed.

#### The 'New Red Brigades'

"Negri's ideas have been defeated," Padua Mayor Zanonato declared to the media. "Luckily, most of today's youth do not even know what he is talking about." Indeed, an opinion poll taken in Padua would probably show the same results as in Copenhagen, where support for the Autonomists came more from the aging 68er generation than today's youth. However, the Autonomi-Disubbidienti mobilization is connected to the reactivation of an even more dangerous network, the hard-core terrorist organization of the Red Brigades, which is being put into place for political assassinations

On Feb. 12, Italian police arrested 15 alleged terrorists in Milan, Turin, Padua, and Trieste, announcing that a terrorist cell, belonging to the historical Red Brigades, had been broken up. Then, more people were arrested and some of them eventually released, in a pattern that seems to indicate that the terrorists had infiltrated local trade unions, in some cases even at leadership level.

Police collected evidence that this cell was planning a murder, and the target list included government advisor Pietro Ichino, right-wing editor Vittorio Feltri, and opposition leader and former Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi. According to inside sources, the key person to look at is Alfredo Davanzo, a 50-year-old veteran of Second Position, the successor organization to the second-generation Red Brigades, which was responsible for the 1978 assassination of Aldo Moro and other bloody acts.

Davanzo has lived for many years in France, protected by the French government, as a fugitive from Italian justice. When the Italian statute of limitations expired, Davanzo was able go back to Italy as a free man. However, he decided to re-enter Italy secretly last November, passing through Switzerland. There, Davanzo was helped by Andrea Stauffacher, a well-known leader of the anarchist organization Revolutionäre Aufbau. Stauffacher also runs the European secretariat of the legal support network for terrorists, the Rote Hilfe-Secours Rouge. This network is already collecting money to meet legal expenses for the planned G-8 clashes with the police.

Stauffacher, now in jail at the request of Milan prosecutors, not only helped Davanzo enter Italy unnoticed over the Swiss border, but also provided technical assistance to other members of the terrorist cell on computer manipulations and hacker techniques. He has worked in the legal firm of Bernhard Rambert, who is a veteran of the European legal support network for terrorists. Rambert has been attorney for the international terrorist Carlos, and Swiss terrorists Bruno Breguet, Marco Camenish, and Giorgio Bellini. The archives of the Stasi, the former East German communist secret service, contain a file on Rambert, codenamed "Duke," which reports about a conspiratorial meeting between Rambert and Carlos in East Berlin, on Dec. 20-22, 1982.

In 1981, Rambert, who defended German terrorist Petra

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Terrorism at the Genoa summit of the Group of Eight in July 2001. Now, the Anti-G-8 movement is calling for street actions against the G-8 summit in June, in Germany.

Krause, appeared in a public conference together with Otto Schily who, before becoming German Interior Minister, was a member of the Rote-Hilfe organization and was also an attorney for RAF (Red Army Faction or Baader-Meinhof gang) members. Stauffacher has manifold historical connections to the Italian Red Brigades. Her partner for many years has been Nicola Bortone, an Italian terrorist who was arrested in 1989 in France, put on trial, and sentenced to three years' imprisonment. But Bortone did not serve any jail time, and despite his being formally banned from living in the country, he was never extradited or expelled, but took residence in France. In 2002, Bortone was arrested again in Switzerland and extradited to Italy that same year, suspected of being involved in the assassination of government official Massimo D'Antona in 2000. Recently, Bortone was arrested again, when the Italian Carabinieri found him with two Swiss girls in a car with old Red Brigades papers, Naples city maps, a camera, and leaflets in Arabic.

Bortone's sons still live with Stauffacher.

#### **The French Connection**

Stauffacher leads us to the "French Connection": More than 100 Italian terrorists have found refuge and protection from Italian justice in France in the past three decades. Stauffacher's name appears in the trial opened by Judge Gilbert de Thiel in Paris against Giuseppe Maj and four other Italian terrorists. Maj is suspected of involvement in the assassination of Italian government advisor Marco Biagi on March 19, 2002. In Maj's house in Villejuif, police found leaflets claiming responsibility for the murder, as well as false identity papers belonging to Davide Bortolato, one of the persons arrested last February in Padua. Another person recently ar-

rested, Claudio Latino, was Maj's lieutenant. Latino, in typical Red Brigades style, declared himself a "political prisoner" along with Davanzo.

In the French trial papers, Stauffacher is mentioned as having participated in a meeting on March 14, 2005, in Paris with Giuseppe Maj, Giuseppe's brother Luigi, and the Belgian Bertrand Sassoye, an old member of the Communist Combatant Cells, another terrorist organization.

The French Connection closes the circle between the reactivation of hard-core terrorists and the violent Autonomist mass-organization. Not only did Red Brigades terrorists find refuge in France, but so did Autonomia leaders Toni Negri and Oreste Scalzone. They were all protected by French authorities, who turned down all extradition requests from Italy.

In 1979, when Padua prosecutor Pietro Calogero discovered that Negri was connected to the Red Brigades, and found a thread leading to the Hyperion language school in Paris, his discovery was leaked to the press on the eve of his secret trip to Paris. After the leak, French authorities shut down collaboration with him.

According to several investigators and sources, for example, Red Brigades founder and witness Alberto Franceschini, the Hyperion language school was a cover for the "superclandestine" leadership of the Red Brigades. This center was led by Corradio Simioni, who in turn was a puppet of Edgardo Sogno, a high-level intelligence operative who was tied up in military and oligarchical circles inside NATO. Sogno was a member of the secret Freemasonic P2 Lodge, and a monarchist who turned anti-Fascist after the Italian monarchy dumped Mussolini in 1943. After the war, Sogno was associated with Allen Dulles and the NATO headquarters in Paris, when France was still a member of NATO.

Under the model of the French anti-communist organization Paix et Liberté, Sogno founded a similar organization in Italy, which then became a secret network, and plotted a coup d'état. The coup was foiled in 1974, and Sogno was arrested, only to be released shortly thereafter. Sogno's clandestine organization infiltrated its operatives among the young Red Brigade members, who took over the Brigades after the original leadership (which Sogno's organization could not entirely control), was arrested. The post-1974 Red Brigades, led by Sogno agent Mario Moretti, then shifted to bloody, targetted murders, culminating with the Moro assassination in 1978. Today's "new Red Brigades" are remnants of the Moretti-organization, after several split-ups and changes of names.

Through Simioni, Sogno was able to introduce into the Red Brigades a woman who had been the personal secretary of NATO Secretary General Manlio Brosio, a member of Sogno's secret club! Moretti's Red Brigades were coordinated from Simioni's Hyperion center in Paris, along with other international organizations. When Moretti was arrested, contacts between Paris and Italy were kept by Giovanni Senzani. Eventually, Senzani was also arrested, but Italian

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investigators could never penetrate the wall built by French authorities.

Today, the Hyperion group is a more than unique phenomenon of "at least 30 persons who have been together for years, living their relationships always inside the same group, almost like a cult," according to Red Brigades founder Franceschini. "The Paris brain," writes prosecutor Rosario Priore—who has led several investigations of terrorism—"has existed (and is probably still alive) and has, in conjunction with institutions of that country, worked with monitor and control functions, if not leadership, of the composite world of subversion." While Hyperion was coordinating Italian and international terrorist activities, the fugitive Autonomia founder Negri was given a teaching job at the university of Paris VIII, an institution set up by followers of Jean-Paul Sartre and Negri-buddies such as Felix Guattari, Michel Foucault, and Gilles Deleuze.

Ultimately, this outgrowth of the 1968 existentialist movement, can be traced back to the oligarchical project launched throughout Europe by the Congress for Cultural Freedom in the 1950s. The specific French network goes back to pro-British synarchist currents which had promoted Vichy fascism and infiltrated the French Resistance movement.

#### Myth of the RAF Is Built Up in Germany

The Zurich-based Stauffacher network is also tied to the campaign in Germany to promote the myth of the Baader-Meinhof/Red Army Faction terrorist organization as a forerunner of today's anti-globalization fighters. This ominous campaign has incorporated the previous campaign to pardon former RAF terrorist Christian Klar, who is serving a life sentence. The pardon campaign has been turned into a promotion of Klar as an "anti-capitalist" leader, with right-wing politicans saying he should not be pardoned because he attacks capitalism, and the liberal lobby saying he should be pardoned exactly because of that. Klar provided the pretext for the phony debate by delivering a written speech about another former terrorist, Inge Viett, to a conference on Rosa Luxemburg in Berlin. His speech, published as an article in the leftist daily Junge Welt Feb. 24, praised the RAF as forerunners of anti-globalization fighters.

This campaign for "reconciliation" with RAF members who never dissociated from terrorism is being supported by Klaus Kinkel, the liberal Free Democratic Party politician who had been the coordinator of intelligence services. In January, Kinkel called on German President Horst Köhler, to pardon Klar. Köhler has so far refused.

On the web page of Stauffacher's Rote Hilfe/Secours Rouge, updates on the "Pardon Klar" campaign can be found, along with updates on the campaign against the G-8 in Heiligendamm, and an initiative in support of the "arrested Italian comrades."

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# Of Locusts and Foot Soldiers

by Helga Zepp-LaRouche

The majority of the German population is currently tormented by the existential fear that today there is, oddly, no institution in our country which is actually concerned with the general welfare of the people. The latest social report of the European Union Commission reveals that among adults, 47% fear becoming unemployed, and 43% worry about losing their pensions; at the same time, fear of unemployment rises to 49% among the "future generations," and 47% fear their pensions are insecure. Also producing insecurity is the worsening health care and rising cost of living. The confidence that the politicians, or even the managers would do something in some way to find a solution for these problems, has never before reached such a low point as it has today.

Nowhere is this lack of trust, which has spread throughout the population, been so clear as in the case of the total failure of the policy toward that which former Vice Chancellor Franz Müntefering, in June of 2005, called the "locusts." Germany is currently a target of an unprecedentedly evil takeover through hedge funds and the so-called private equity funds, who for months have been buying up everything which is not nailed down: middle-sized companies, social institutions, villas, castles; simply everything. And after they have extracted the maximum profit out of these acquisitions, sold the "prime parts," "devoured" the labor force, and raised the pressure for productivity on the remaining workers, they leave behind the sucked-out hulls of the enterprises or real estate, totally destroyed. The speculators have filled their pockets, the national income has been robbed.

The ultimate beneficiary of this modern piracy is the City of London, which has established itself far beyond Wall Street as the dominant financial center, and from which the majority of the hedge funds operate: 7,481 out of a total 9,000 hedge funds worldwide, that is 80%, are registered on the British Crown colony, the Cayman Islands. In the old fashion of the British Empire, the secret services now orchestrate the full spectrum of operations, to ensure that no people have the confidence to set themselves against the looting expeditions of this robber-capitalism.

#### **Strange Bedfellows**

A remarkable set of bedfellows are cooperating in the defense of the hedge funds, whose teamwork is only surprising at first glance: The financial press, propagandizing for

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Helga Zepp-LaRouche, shown here addressing the BüSo Party Congress on Jan. 20, reveals that the financial "locusts" have created a widespread fear of the future among the German population.

globalization, and an organized thought-police on the campuses of the universities and the streets, both make the same argument; namely, that the attack on the hedge funds is anti-Semitic. Thus, for example, the *Financial Times* and the powerful shock-troops of the so-called Antifa and Anti-Deutschen appearing on the streets are as one in saying that attacks on the hedge funds are anti-Semitic, because many of the "private equity firms on Müntefering's hit list" have Jewish names, as columnist Wolfgang Munchau wrote in the Feb. 15 edition of the *Financial Times*. It is the height of sophistry for Munchau to write that Müntefering's "irresponsible commentary has discredited our country on this question, so that he has made it unlikely that the Americans and the British will unite with us on a reasonable way to proceed."

One could just as well say that anyone who calls a child-rapist by name, thus makes it unlikely "to unite on a reasonable way to proceed." And whether this child-rapist is by chance Catholic or Protestant, one is by no means anti-Christian if one prevents him from raping children. As documentation provided by the *EIR* adequately proves, the Antifa and the Anti-Deutsch groups are no more than the foot-soldiers for the same oligarchical interests whose song Munchau sings. In any case you shouldn't buy a used car from Mr. Munchau.

This is not to deny that this death-blow argument—that

any critic of the hedge funds is anti-Semitic, is a major reason for the cowardice of the politicians. In any case, until now nothing has been done to defend Germany from this robbercapitalism. Chancellor Angela Merkel promised in Frankfurt, at the New Year's reception of the Bundesbank, that there would be no state orgy of reregulation of hedge funds. The Greens have meantime overtaken the FDP (Free Democrats) as the party best serving as apologists for globalization. In the SPD (Social Democrats), the young generation around Hubertus Heil have already made a coup against Müntefering, and invited the hedge funds and private equity funds to come to Germany, to invest in German environmental technologies. And no one in the Left Party seriously reckons with the fact that Rosa Luxemburg could have been right in her debate with Lenin over the collapse of capitalism.

#### The End-Phase Has Now Begun

A rude awakening is coming. Because the mega-bubble, which the hedge funds and private equity funds actually represent—the Bank for International Settlements (BIS) speaks of \$370 trillion in outstanding credit derivatives—has already begun to explode. The paradigm shift, which the Anglo-Dutch financial oligarchy put into place in the middle of the 1960s, namely, to replace an industrial society oriented to scientific and technological progress with a utopia of a post-industrial service economy, and a money economy without production, has thrown the world into a systemic crisis whose end-phase has now begun.

There is a widely spread myth that there is supposedly no alternative to globalization. This deliberate lie is spread by the forces who are seeking a new world empire along the Anglo-Dutch model, by which the sovereign nation-state will be abolished, and the world finally ruled by a few hundred managers of financial conglomerates and mega-cartels. If you look beyond the sophistical phony label, which speaks of things like "PPPs" (public-private partnerships) and similar shell-words, then it is ultimately a return to feudalism, when everything was also "private," and everything was sacrificed to the privileges of a few.

There is a very good alternative to that: The best example is the sovereign national republic, as it was fought out in the American Revolution, and whose economic aspect the German-American economist Friedrich List identified as the "American System," in contradistinction to the "British System." The fate of the world depends upon whether the current discussion now taking place within the United States can again bring alive the principles of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution, for which the LaRouche movement is leading a heroic battle. The Fundamental Law of the German Republic is perhaps a less coherent legal framework than the American Constitution, but Articles 1 and 20 are sufficient to defend the general welfare against the encroachments of robber-capitalism. Precisely for this reason the Civil Rights Movement Solidarity Party (BüSo) is indispensable.

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# Argentina Keeps on Growing, And Growing, and Growing

#### by Gretchen Small

The name of our future is change: Argentina is the protagonist of a profound transformation; it is time for cultural and moral change. The result of the profound change in paradigm that we need, the success of the steps undertaken, must be judged from the standpoint of the Common Good . . . and the exercise of political power on behalf of the well-being of the people. . . .

The Argentine economy is in its fifth consecutive year of a strong annual growth rate of around 8 to 9%, with no signs of a slowdown and with firm expectations that the growth process will continue in 2007 at a high rate.

This confirms, that after the worst economic and financial crisis in memory, far from going through a rebound, as the specialists said, the economy has gone through a decisive change in its mode of functioning. The results on every front speak eloquently, despite some worthy and brilliant representatives of the economic schools of thought who daily provide us with their advice. . . .

—Argentine President Néstor Kirchner, March 1, 2007

Argentina, held up as the model of an International Monetary Fund success story in the 1990s, and then left to die by international financiers when its economy disintegrated under those very IMF policies at the end of 2001, stands out today as a country where wages, pensions, industry, infrastructure, health, and education are growing, while economic holocaust spreads across most of the rest of the planet. To the fury of the financial vultures of London's Cayman Islands empire, people around the world—and particularly in its South American neighbors, including its ally, Brazil—know that Argentina's road to recovery only began when its current President, Néstor Kirchner, broke with the IMF game.

Therein lies the strategic importance of the report delivered to Argentina's Congress on March 1 by President Kirchner, in which he identified the principles guiding Argentina's national recovery effort, and summarized the successes which that effort has achieved.

Kirchner, as the extracts from that report which we publish below make clear, is no Baby Boomer, when it comes to the economy. Financial criteria do not determine the invest-

ment decisions of his administration, but instead the physical needs of the nation and its people. He denounces the attempt to reduce Argentina to a service economy as just another facet of a policy which sought to impose the "silence of the grave" upon the majority of the Argentine people, while a few grew rich, under the pretext of "fighting inflation." Argentina wants a society which is *alive*, Kirchner exclaimed, and so it is today proudly *reindustrializing*, and once again investing in nuclear power, too.

Kirchner identifies the crux of his recovery program as that anathema to the Baby-Boomer psychosis: Work!

To the chagrin of those hangers-on of fascist financier Felix Rohatyn who repeat ad nauseam that the methods of Franklin Delano Roosevelt cannot work in the modern world, the plain fact is that the approach adopted by Kirchner's administration, follows the same principles as those applied by Roosevelt: State-led investment in infrastructure and industry, state regulation of private interests on behalf of the common good, government guided by its responsibility to ensure the general welfare and advance the happiness of the nation's people, work!

Those American System principles of economics have worked in every country in the world where they have been applied. They demonstrated their power under FDR, and they work today, as demonstrated in Argentina's fight to recover from the hell imposed by the financial vultures and their IMF frontmen. These are the principles which must be applied, immediately, to replace the global financial system as a whole, or the entire planet will be driven into a new dark age, dragging all nations, including Argentina, down with it.

#### What the IMF Wrought

Before the IMF first took over the Argentine economy with the 1976 nazi-directed military coup of Joseaa Martínez de Hoz, Argentina was one of Ibero-America's wealthiest nations, with high living standards, a skilled labor force, 99% literacy, and impressive scientific and technological infrastructure. Social mobility was similar to that of many European nations.

After two and a half decades of IMF-directed policies, including administrations in the 1990s which implemented, through so-called "democratic" means, an economic dictatorship as destructive as that under de Hoz's military dictatorship

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(selling off Argentina's state companies and resources, cutting public services to nothing, and "solving" each debt crisis by piling on more debt), by 2001, Argentina was finished. The government seized people's savings to pay the debt in November 2001; the financial system imploded; and the government fell. The economy plunged into the abyss.

By the end of 2002, fully 60% of the Argentine people were acknowledged to have fallen below the poverty line. The collapse dwarfed even that of Indonesia in the 1997-98 "Asian crisis." Over 2002, those living in poverty increased at the rate of 762,000 a month, or 25,000 people per day.

In a country that produces enough food to feed 300 million people, 30% of the population was now unable to purchase enough food to eat. In the capital, Buenos Aires, armies of families in rags were reduced to going through the streets each night, overturning garbage cans in search of food. When they couldn't find food, they began to eat rats, mice, frogs, and toads. Forty percent of the Argentine people became malnurished,

infant mortality rose, and death by starvation—previously unheard of in Argentina-became the fate of hundreds of children, even as budget cuts decimated the once-excellent national health system.

#### **Eloquent Results**

This was the country faced by President Kirchner, when he was inaugurated on May 25, 2003. Nothing serious could be done about reconstruction, until the financial burden was lifted from the back of the country. Calling upon the principle that life comes before debt, Kirchner told the country's creditors that Argentina could only pay 25-35% of the nominal value of its debt, and the rest would have to be written off. After that arduous battle was won, Argentina then moved to pay off its debt to the IMF in January 2006, to be free from its blackmail.

Just shy of four years later, Kirchner could report to Congress, that among the advances achieved under the new paradigm, were:

- The percentage of Argentines under the poverty line dropped from 60% when he took office, to 31.8% today, and the number of indigents has been cut by half-still "shameful," he said, but far less.
- Unemployment has fallen below 10% for the first time in 14 years, at 8.7%—a third of the 27% it was in May 2003. Since 2003, some 3.4 million jobs have been created.
- Since 2003, the minimum salary has been raised from 200 to 800 pesos; teachers' salaries have tripled; the average nominal salary of workers with registered jobs (i.e., not part



Carlos Galindo Pérez

Before President Kirchner's election in 2003, the country had been plunged into abject poverty and a seemingly endless debt spiral, as illustrated by these children eating from a garbage dump in August 2002 in Buenos Aires. With Kirchner's rejection of the IMF game, the country is being transformed.

of the "informal economy") rose by 72%.

- Pensions and social security payments have been increased ten times, after years of being frozen. Whereas 35 of 100 of our grandparents were condemned to indigence in 2002, not covered by social security, today, nine of ten are covered, he stated.
- The takedown of the health-care system through privatization is being reversed, through Federal-state cooperation which has included the establishment of 179 new community health-care centers, an increase in primary care, and increased investments in 40 hospitals nationwide. One result: a 46% increase in medical visits to hospitals and primary-care centers combined.
- 2,400 kilometers of new highways are being built, integrating provinces which had been abandoned. Railway investments increased in 2006, with 300 kilometers of line already laid, and repairs of equipment undertaken.
- Industry grew by 8.3% in 2006, with an increase in capacity utilization such that branches such as steel and paper moved to expand their production capacity. More than 41% of all imports were capital goods in 2006. Construction was the fastest growing industry in the last three years: 34.4% in 2003; 29.4% in 2004; 20.4% in 2005, and a projected rate for 2006 of 20%.
- Investments in power facilities aim to incorporate 4,600 more megawatts of power by 2008; increase high tension lines in the country by 50%; increase natural gas transportation capacity by 22%; and work is under way to complete the Atucha II nuclear plant.

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#### Documentation

### Kirchner on Argentina's Road to Recovery

Following are extracts from Argentine President Néstor Kirchner's speech opening the new legislative session on March 1. The speech has been translated from Spanish and subheads added.

#### **Infrastructure a Priority**

... One of the primary challenges we face related to the role of the state, is that of going back to investing in public works, in infrastructure, as one of the priorities of state management, given its power to improve the quality of life, to rapidly drive the level of activity and generate better economic and social competitiveness. To do this, we have also waged a fight in the realm of ideas. We have had to fight against a notion very deeply rooted in certain sectors, that active policies in the area of infrastructure and public works are an expense, rather than an investment.

The lack of planning, or the deliberate decision which its absence implied for so many years in Argentina, sharpened the country's territorial imbalances, exacerbating many of our provinces' isolation, coupled with the impoverishment of their people. In contrast, under our administration, the state has assumed an active role, with a primary focus on planning of investment and infrastructure. We are working for socially and territorially balanced growth; and the construction industry undoubtedly acts as an efficient instrument for development.

Investment in public works has continued to increase, and today it is ten times the level of 2002. Ten times more. And six times more than that of 2003. . . .

We are reversing decades of disinvestment in railroads. Our policy of restoring the railroad as a factor of domestic integration, has been based upon the reorganization, recovery, and modernization of the rail system. Keeping in mind that we must never forget: the railroads were dismantled here. They were auctioned off. "A branch line that stops, is a branch line which closes," was the policy of those who governed in the 1990s. All of us Argentines want to have once more what any developed country in the world has, united by a railroad network which allows it to be interconnected, not seeking financial profitability, but social profitability, the profitability of integration, of social inclusion. . . .

All of Argentina was thrown upon our shoulders. We weren't the ones who plunged Argentina into recession. We weren't the ones who stopped investing in energy in Argentina. We weren't the ones who wanted to create a services

economy. We dreamed, as you and the majority of Argentines did, of creating a productive country, an industrial country; and obviously, a country needs energy to develop. . . .

During the decade of the 1990s, we had deflation, but we had 60% poverty. . . . Now we have some inflation, but we have already lowered the poverty rate to 31.8%, from the 60% we had, and we hope to continue lowering it. . . .

We are not going to resort to heterodox measures which tell us that we have to restrict consumption in order to lower inflation. In other words, these lead in the direction of the silence or the peace of the grave, where they try to lower inflation, and where people cannot consume, cannot develop, cannot have upward mobility. We want a society which is alive. . . .

#### We Rejected IMF Dictatorship

Do you remember when the experts told us—the technocrats, the economists, the IMF advisors—those from all the schools, holding their fantastic degrees? They said: What this man is doing by paying off the International Monetary Fund debt is crazy, because we are going to be left without reserves and we will be exposed to the vulnerability of any international financial crisis.

We paid \$10.2, \$10.3 billion. Our reserves dropped down to \$17 billion, and in a bit more than a year, we have double the reserves. . . . And we no longer have the dictatorship of the International Monetary Fund deciding the destiny of Argentines.

Now they say: You have an exaggerated level of reserves. . . . Now, with all due respect and without denigrating their intellectual abilities and what they have studied, there is an abyss between what you proposed to us and what we did. What you proposed to us brought us to 60% poverty, 30% indigence, 20% unemployment. . . .

As regards the Paris Club debt, they tell us: You have to reach an agreement with the International Monetary Fund in order to be able to pay the Paris Club debt. We told them: Gentlemen, we are sovereign. We want to pay the country's debt, but from there to our returning to an agreement with the International Monetary Fund: Under no circumstances, no way....

In times of crisis, by implementing phenomenal adjustments, the most concentrated sectors of the economy and their propagandists reaped phenomenal profits. . . . In these crises, experience has taught us that the prescriptions which the International Monetary Fund counselled, were nothing but tools allowing those sectors to impose measures favorable to them, using as a pretext the country's supposed international isolation. . . . These prescriptions saved the powerful and sunk the people.

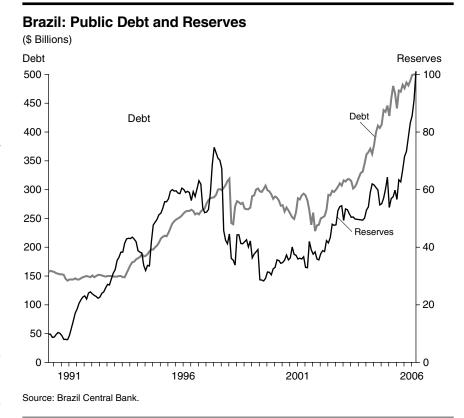
This growth of the Argentine Republic demonstrates that there is another path. When the politicians applied those policies, they added in a loss of credibility, and delegitimized politics and the institutions. When national interests are defended, as they are today, and politics is directed to working

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### Brazil Still Carrion for the Carry Trade

The public debt of Argentina's neighbor, Brazil, when converted to dollars, has grown at an annual rate of more than 20% over the past four-plus years. It stood at \$228 billion in September 2002, and had risen to \$499 billion by the end of December 2006. The Brazilian government pays the highest interest rate in the world on its public debt—13%.

During this same time interval, the Brazilian Central Bank's dollar reserves nearly tripled, from \$37.6 billion in August 2002, to \$101.1 billion in February 2007—an annual rate of increase of 25%. In other words, the government was pumping out huge volumes of debt at 13% interest which is being bought up by international hedge funds and other speculators, in exchange for dollars that just sit as Central Bank reserves, which are deposited back in Wall Street and other banks, earning perhaps 5% interest. The 8% margin is pure specu-



lative usury to the benefit of the hedge funds . . . and pure looting of the Brazilian nation and people.

This is precisely the kind of looting that drove Argentina into its breakdown crisis at the end of 2001. Brazil's apparent "survival" under this system, has been sustained solely by the continued influx of speculative capital, fed by the international carry trade which is now unwinding.—Dennis Small

for the happiness of the people, institutions recover legality and legitimacy, and politics is reconciled with society.

Some speak of "institutional quality." Institutional quality! . . . Gentlemen . . . there is no greater institutional quality than to be able to educate oneself, to be able to work, to be able to eat, to be able to enjoy freedom, to be able to have respect for human rights, to be able to have the right to work, to be able to have the right to dream. What kind of "institutional quality" are they talking about? Of that Argentina which voted up the laws demanded by the Fund? Of that Argentina which condemned millions of Argentines to poverty? Of that Argentina which condemned our retirees to permanent hunger, after having worked all their lives? Of that Argentina which worked and passed laws to save the banks before the Argentine people? You all know this, as all Argentines do. This is

"institutional quality"? Institutional quality with agreements among friends to try and rape, and save the interests of a few against the interests of the many....

We are at the doorway to a new country, and it depends on us to forge a model which is not tied to rigid, canned recipes, a model in which work is the axis upon which a definitive recovery is built.

We have the obligation and the challenge of consolidating an integrated and just country, in which all regions have the same possibilities, a country capable of standing out for the quality of its production, with clear rules, with innovative and creative entrepreneurs, connected to the world, but defending their interests with dignity; a country where children can live better than their parents, on the basis of equality of opportunity and one's own effort. . . .

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# Overdue Bill of Impeachment Against Cheney May Be Coming

by Nancy Spannaus

"The only thing to do with that Administration is to get rid of it. Nothing else will be of any use whatsoever. And therefore, a bill of impeachment against Cheney, being drafted in the House of Representatives, for presentation to the joint body of Congress, for impeachment trial, should be done right now. And I would like to know why it's not being done. Lying to get the United States into a war, and lying in the way that Cheney has done, and bullying in the way Cheney has done, is specific grounds, in fact, for impeachment. They should be impeached."

Democratic leader Lyndon LaRouche couldn't have been more emphatic, as he answered questions during his March 7 webcast, about the requirement to get rid of Cheney and Bush. LaRouche has been stressing this point since the Fall of 2002, but now, in the wake of the conviction of Cheney's former Chief of Staff Scooter Libby, there is a promising groundswell in that direction. It's the responsibility of American patriots to ensure that this promise is fulfilled.

#### **Congress Starts To Move**

On March 8, Rep. Henry Waxman (D-Calif.), chairman of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, announced that his committee will hold a hearing on March 16 on what the White House did or did not do, with respect to protecting the identity of CIA covert operative Valerie Plame Wilson. Mrs. Wilson and other experts will testify at the hearing.

Waxman also sent a letter to Special Counsel Patrick Fitzgerald March 8, asking Fitzgerald to meet with Waxman and Rep. Tom Davis (Va.), the ranking Republican on the committee, "to discuss the possibility of your testifying before the Committee and other means by which you can inform the Committee about your views and the insights you obtained during the course of your investigation." Waxman notes in the letter, that Fitzgerald's investigation, by necessity, had

a narrow legal focus, but that the committee has a broader oversight function, and has the responsibility to answer the broader questions raised by Fitzgerald's investigation, including whether the ultimate responsibility for the Plame disclosure rests with more senior officials in the White House.

As of this writing, it is not clear whether Fitzgerald will comply. At his press conference March 6, immediately after Libby was convicted of four counts of obstruction of justice, perjury, and making a false statement to FBI agents, Fitzgerald said that he did not expect to bring any further charges in the case, but added that this could change if he receives new information. Asked by *EIR* if he will cooperate and provide evidence to a Congressional investigation, however, Fitzgerald said that "We will do what's appropriate."

#### **Upping the Pressure**

While Waxman has initiated action against Cheney, political figures in and out of government, as well as the media, have renewed their focus on the Vice President and his crimes.

Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-N.Y.) released his statement immediately after the verdict. He said, in part:

"Justice was served today when Scooter Libby was found guilty and now other administration officials, starting with Vice President Cheney, must be held accountable for their role in this case. The truth behind why Scooter Libby lied must now be revealed. This is the first judicial evidence that the Bush administration was engaged in a plot to falsify information and cover-up those lies to justify its illegal invasion of Iraq....

"This case doesn't end with Mr. Libby's conviction. Testimony in the Libby trial made it even more clear that Vice President Cheney played a major role in the outing of Mrs. Wilson's identity. It is time to remove the cloud hanging over Vice President Cheney and the White House that Special Counsel Fitzgerald so apty described in his closing remarks,

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and expose all of the lies that led to the outing of Mrs. Wilson's identity. . . .

"This administration is the most corrupt and incompetent administration in U.S. history. The security of the American people has been jeopardized by the falsification of intelligence that led to the invasion of Iraq as well as the outing of a CIA agent's identity. Justice must be served to all those who put our country at risk. Either Special Counsel Fitzgerald or another prosecutor must continue to pursue the truth. The American people deserve to have the cloud hanging over Vice President Cheney and other administration officials lifted once and for all, so we can find out the truth."

Former Sen. George McGovern, as reported in a Wisconsin publication, issued his statement on March 7, saying that in his view, the Bush-Cheney Admnistration is far worse than that of Richard Nixon, and that after what has been learned about Dick Cheney in the course of the Libby trial, it's time for him to go.

"What we have learned about how he conducted himself leaves no doubt that he should be out of office," McGovern said. "If he had any respect for the Constitution or the country, he would resign."

"There is no question in my mind that he has committed impeachable offenses. So has George Bush."

Media coverage indicating that Cheney should be out of office came from many sources, including the *Newark Star Ledger* and the *Washington Post*. The *Star Ledger*, the largest-circulating New Jersey newspaper, ran an opinion column March 8, entitled "Time to Give Cheney a Shove." The *Washington Post*'s James Hoagland published an op-ed the same day entitled "What Has Happened to Dick Cheney?" in which he cites "the volatile state of the vice president's physical, emotional and political health," and indicates that he should be replaced—although he will not resign voluntarily.

#### The Population Is Way Ahead

As the LaRouche movement has frequently noted, and, in fact, influenced, the U.S. population is way ahead of most of its "leaders" on the question of getting rid of Cheney and Bush. This reality is reflected in the actions currently being taken in state jurisdictions around the United States.

The state actions are proceeding, in part, under rubric of House Rules that permit impeachment to be set in motion by charges transmitted from the legislature of a state, rather than through the House Judiciary Committee.

The furthest advanced of this state activity in 2007 is in New Mexico, where Democratic State Sens. Gerald Ortiz y Pino, and John Grubesic are moving forward with Joint Resolution 5, that, if passed, would declare that Bush *and* Cheney warrant impeachment, and that the Congress of the United States should be instructed to begin proceedings to carry out impeachment. Resolution 5 has passed three committees of the Senate, the most recent being the Judiciary Committee on March 7. It is expected to move onto the floor of the state Senate soon, and to pass.



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In the wake of the conviction of Scooter Libby, there is a growing clamor for removal of the Vice President.

Joint Memorial 8016, calling for impeachment of both Bush and Cheney, has also been introduced in the Washington State Senate, by Sen. Eric Oering. While this resolution has received a lot of attention, and a hearing on the issue in the state capital drew 800 people, its progress appears to have been stymied by heavy back pressure from the state's Congressional delegation, the majority of whom are Democrats.

In addition, activists in the state of Vermont are carrying out a systematic campaign at town meetings around the state, to pass resolutions of impeachment, in hopes of pressuring the state legislature to take similar action. So far, voters in 36 Vermont towns have passed resolutions calling on Congress to begin an impeachment probe of both Bush and Cheney. In addition, 20 towns have approved a measure calling for troops to be withdrawn from Iraq.

One supporter of the impeachment resolution campaign argued that the issue was not the war, but the Constitution. "We have to stand up and respect the Constitution that our [representatives] stand for. Our troops will not come home during their time in office, and as far as impeachment goes, it only means they are investigated and whatever happens with it will happen," said Sue Rand of Dover, where the resolution lost. The proponents of the town meeting campaign hope to use the passage to focus Vermont's Congressional delegation on ending the war, and investigating Bush and Cheney for what they believe were deliberate lies to get the nation into the war

The grounds for impeachment stated in both the New Mexico and Washington State resolutions are very similar, and to the point. They are four: 1) conspiracy by Bush and Cheney to defraud the United States of America by intentionally misleading the public and Congress, in order to justify the war in Iraq; 2) Bush's violation of the law on electronic surveillance of American civilians; 3) conspiracy by Cheney and Bush to commit torture of prisoners, against the express laws of the United States; and 4) actions by Bush and Cheney to strip American citizens of their Constitutional rights, through the designation and treatment of "enemy combatants."

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# Murtha Now Rove's Target: How Low Will Karl Go?

#### Special to EIR

Since his Nov. 17, 2005 introduction of House Joint Resolution 73—which called for American troops to be redeployed from Iraq because they had accomplished all that could be accomplished militarily—Rep. John Murtha (D-Pa.) has become the number-one target of the notoriously filthy Karl Rove apparatus. Rove, George W. Bush's political hit-man, is close to two of the operatives who ran the attempted "swiftboating" of Murtha through Vets For The Truth (VFTT) during Murtha's 2006 re-election campaign—an operation which has since morphed into a fishing expedition to drum up an indictment of the re-elected Murtha, who now chairs the Appropriations Committee's Defense Subcommittee.

Democratic Party leader Lyndon LaRouche recently commented, "Somebody should go after this 'Swift Boat' crowd that's attacking John Murtha—they're better called the 'Dirty Water' Bunch. They're not the 'Puss'n Boots' crowd; they're the 'Piss'n Bush' crowd."

Rove operative Larry Bailey, the former head of "Vietnam Veterans For The Truth" which attacked 2004 Democratic Presidential candidate John Kerry, is now President of VFTT, cast from the same template to attack Murtha.

VFTT describes itself as a committee organized under the Iowa Presidential Watch 527 PAC Committee, which is headed by Richard Schwarm. Schwarm is described by IPW's website as the "past-president of Iowa College Republicans when he became good friends with Karl Rove.... Of him, *Des Moines Register* columnist David Yepsen wrote, 'Richard Schwarm is one of the few people that Karl Rove has on speed dial.' "The "Iowa" in the Committee's name is a flimsy attempt to distance it from Karl Rove's office.

But the juggernaut targetting Murtha has other dirty connections, through the family of his GOP opponent in the November election, Diana Irey. The candidate's husband, Robert Irey, was a business partner with a major operator in the shadowy world of global weapons trafficking. On Dec. 14, 2006, a month after Murtha won re-election with 61% of the vote, William Irey, Diana Irey's brother-in-law, was arrested on Federal child pornography charges in Orlando, Fla. More on the connections of Murtha's "family values" challenger below.

After the election, the Iowa Presidential Watch Committee recycled its failed "Boot Murtha" campaign into what it calls its "Jail Murtha Project." Ironically, its website urges readers to "Call on the Justice Department to investigate Con-

gressman John Murtha for the sake of national security." Besides pitching for contributions to pay "investigators," the group is also beating the drums for an Ethics Committee investigation of the Congressman.

Murtha, a war hero with 37 years of Marine Corps service, who volunteered for Vietnam in 1966-67 and received two Purple Hearts and a Bronze Star with Combat "V," has advised both Democratic and Republican Presidents on military and defense issues. Andy Ostroy of *The Ostroy Report* writes that Democrat Murtha is perhaps the most highly regarded defense expert in Congress.

His problems with GOP "Donald Segretti-style" dirty tricks began when he led a public fight for the view of the U.S. military's top commanders that nothing more could be accomplished militarily in Iraq. That pitted Murtha against the Chickenhawk Dick Cheney (with five draft deferments) and his stooge George Bush.

There were multiple Rove connections in Diana Irey's campaign. The campaign took donations through Donation-Report.com, which belongs to eDonation.com, a member of the Donatelli Group, which has raised money for the Republican National Committee, Bush-Cheney '04, John McCain, and the Rove-spawned Vets for Freedom. Her campaign's public relations section was associated with Creative Response Concepts—the Swift Boat Veterans for Truth's public relations firm—in addition to other Donatelli affiliates. The highwater mark of Irey's campaign—though officially, an independent expenditure by VFTT—was a rally in Johnstown, Pa. organized by Vets For The Truth on Oct. 1, 2006, to "boot Murtha." VFTT also took out multiple TV attack ads impugning Murtha's patriotism.

#### **Irey Family Values**

Diana Irey is currently running for re-election as a Commissioner of Washington County, Pa. Her husband, Robert Irey, is CEO and one-third owner of CLI Corp., with partners William Stein and the late Dale Stoffel. Stoffel had a long history in weapons trafficking. The *Australia Daily Telegraph* called him a CIA agent, according to www.theweekly recorder.com. Stoffel also owned and ran Wye Oak Technologies, which was hired to acquire Russian X-31 anti-ship missiles from contacts in Ukraine. Stoffel was paid \$6 million to acquire a certain number, and reportedly kept the \$6 million despite acquiring far fewer than promised. The *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* covered this in a front-page story on Nov. 16, 2003, headlined "Boeing Defense Unit Sues Mysterious Arms Dealer." The court records were sealed, and the case was settled in 2004.

On Dec. 8, 2004, Dale Stoffel and a co-worker were killed in Iraq. A previously unheard of group calling itself the Brigades of the Islamic Jihad claimed responsibility. Stoffel was reportedly working on a \$40 million project to build a military facility in Taji—a facility the Department of Defense website claimed was operational on Nov. 22, according to *The Weekly* 

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Rep. John Murtha (left), a military hero, is the number one target of Karl Rove's Swift-Boaters. The family of Murtha's electoral opponent in 2006, Diana Irey (right), who teamed up with bogus veterans groups to "boot Murtha," is involved in numerous shady business activities, including global weapons trafficking.

*Recorder.* Killed with Stoffel was Joseph Wemple, an employee of accused child pornographer William Irey's Florida construction corporation, Frank Irey Construction—a connection between the Pennsylvania CLI Corp., and Frank Irey Construction Corp.

The principals of Robert Irey's CLI Corp. are quite active politically, as are many corporate officers who land large Iraq contracts, such as Halliburton. In the ten-month period between July 2003 and April 2004, the three partners of CLI contributed at least \$25,000 to Bush-Cheney '04, the National Republican Campaign Committee, and other GOP election campaigns. Robert Irey's CLI grabbed a piece of the millions of dollars available to private contractors in Iraq, through its subsidiary, the CLI Iraq Construction Group, according to the *Pennsylvania Progressive*. Thus, Robert and Diana Irey owned a business formed to make money off the war John Murtha proposed to end—a fact not disclosed, to *EIR*'s knowledge, by Diana Irey's campaign.

On Dec. 14, 2006, Federal agents arrested William Irey, the brother-in-law of the candidate. William Irey, a Monongahela, Pa. native with a wife and four children, was charged as part of a Federal, nationwide investigation known as Operation Emissary, "focussed on a commercial website offering access to videos and images of hardcore child pornography," according to the press release of Paul I. Perez, the U.S. Attorney for Middle Florida. The *Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* headlined, "Irey family member jailed in porn case."

William Irey's indictment charges: "[T]he defendant herein, did knowingly employ, use, persuade, induce, entice and coerce minors to engage in sexually explicit conduct outside the United States, for the purpose of producing visual depictions. . . . " The search warrant affidavit states that the government's interest in Irey goes back to 2003, when his name appeared as a subscriber in a Belarus-based Internet billing processor tied to child pornography. The U.S. Attorney has filed for forfeiture of William Irey's \$500,000 house, and, ordered Irey confined in a lockdown mental facility in Florida until his trial in April 2007. William Irey had been CEO of Frank Irey Construction, Inc., a firm started by his father, which is a major contractor for Walt Disney World.

William Irey is not merely a brother-inlaw to the candidate, but a partner in a closelyheld string of family businesses. According to the Florida Secretary of State's website, William Irey and the candidate's husband, R.J. Irey of Monongahela, are both officers of CLI Technologies, Inc., an active corporation registered with the Florida Secretary of State in 2000. Robert Irey is also listed as an officer of CLI Engineering Corp. in Florida, an inactive corporation for which Frank Irey Construc-

tion, Inc. is listed as the registered agent with the Florida Secretary of State.

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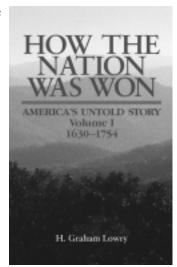
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# Cheney's Iraq War, Privatization, And BRAC Behind Walter Reed Scandal

#### by Carl Osgood

The recent, widely publicized scandal surrounding the treatment of wounded soldiers who are outpatients at Walter Reed Army Medical Center has put the spotlight not only on how the Bush Administration regards wounded service members who are no longer medically fit for combat duty, but also on a policy agenda which subordinates the proper mission orientation of government to an ideological agenda. The scandal, so far, has led to the firing of Secretary of the Army Francis Harvey, Walter Reed commander Maj. Gen. George Weightman, and a number of lower ranking soldiers, along with promises to investigate and fix what went wrong, in the face of angry recriminations from members of Congress and veterans' groups all across the country. Congressional hearings have opened up the possibility of re-examining such policy decisions as the 2005 decision to close Walter Reed as part of that year's round of base closings and the privatization of services on military bases that have traditionally been provided by military or Federal civilian personnel.

There is one other factor that, so far, has only been noted by this news service: the real estate factor. *EIR* founder Lyndon LaRouche charged in 2005 that the BRAC (Base Realignment and Closure) was motivated in part to prop up the real estate bubble. In the case of Walter Reed, the desirability of the land it sits on in Northwest Washington was hyped by the *Washington Post* in an article published just days after the BRAC list was released by the Pentagon. "There's not 113 acres anywhere around here that's going to be available," the *Post* quoted one developer as saying. Ironic, given that it was the *Post* which broke the current scandal in the first place, with a series of articles on Feb. 18 and 19 exposing the treatment and living conditions that outpatients at Walter Reed were being forced to endure.

The Bush-Cheney Administration came into office in January 2001 with, among other things, an ideological commitment to privatizing as many Federal jobs as possible. The Administration stated its intent, in its 2002 management agenda, to compete as much as 50% of all Federal jobs, by describing them as "commercial" in nature. That process, combined with the BRAC decision, created so much turbulence in the Walter Reed civilian workforce that its garrison commander was warning, last Summer, of the danger of "mission failure" if the turbulence was not addressed. The compet-

itive sourcing initiative, governed by Office of Management and Budget Circular A-76, actually has its origins in the mid-1990s, however, as part of then-Vice President Al Gore's Reinventing Government scheme.

#### **Hedge Funds Targetting Military Logistics**

While the *Washington Post* and other news coverage has focussed primarily on the conduct of the Army and the Pentagon, the House Oversight Committee pointed out, on March 2, that the company which won the contract to take over base support services at Walter Reed had connections to Dick Cheney's Halliburton. In a March 2 letter to Weightman, Oversight Committee chairman Henry Waxman (D-Calif.) and National Security Subcommittee chairman John Tierney (D-Mass.) noted that the company, IAP Worldwide Services, is run by Al Neffgen, who previously was Chief Operating Officer of Government and Infrastructure for the Americas Region at Halliburton subsidiary KBR. Neffgen had testified before the Oversight Committee on July 22, 2004, defending KBR's overcharging for importing gasoline into Iraq from Kuwait.

Moreover, IAP is owned by the notorious hedge fund Cerberus Capital Management, which, among other things, has been deeply involved in the takedown of the U.S. auto industry. Cerberus brought Neffgen in to run IAP in December of 2004, six months after becoming the majority owner of the firm. Neffgen was followed by Dave Swindle, vice president of KBR's business acquisition and national security programs, who became president of IAP in May 2005, and Chuck Dominy, a retired general who was Halliburton's chief lobbyist in Washington, and who became IAP's vice president for government affairs in July 2005.

While IAP has held a number of small logistics contracts from both the Navy and the Air Force, Cerberus apparently decided sometime in 2006 it wanted a bigger slice of the pie. It hired former Treasury Secretary John Snow as its chief, and within days, IAP was bidding on a piece of a giant Army program known as LOGCAP, or Logistics Civil Augmentation Program, which contracts out the logistics support of Army forces in the field. LOGCAP had heretofore been the exclusive domain of Halliburton, but the Army decided, last year, to break it up into three contracts, each worth potentially

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as much as \$50 billion, and put them all up for separate bids.

IAP did not actually begin work at Walter Reed until Feb. 4 of this year, but that date was preceded by a long drawn-out process of competing for the work which began with an A-76 study initiated by the Army in 2000. The study finally concluded in September of 2004 that Walter Reed's Federal workers could do the job for \$7 million less than the contractor. However, when the contractor protested, the Army Audit Agency recalculated the bids, and it eventually reversed the decision in favor of IAP.

The contract was finally awarded in January of 2006 and apparently, not long after, an exodus of Federal workers began. A September 2006 memo, which was released by the House Oversight Committee on March 2, from Walter Reed's garrison commander, Col. Peter Garibaldi, to commander Weightman, warned that between BRAC and the reduction in force brought on by the privatization, "we face critical issues of retaining skilled clinical personnel for the hospital and diverse professionals for the Garrison while confronted with increased difficulties in hiring." Garibaldi asked for Army Medical Command authority to hire more people to replace those who were streaming out. Garibaldi's memo concluded with a warning that, "Without favorable consideration of these requests, WRAMC Base Operations and patient care services are at risk of mission failure." Army Surgeon General Lt. Gen. Kevin C. Kiley testified on March 5 to the National Security Subcommittee that he did give that authority, but that Garibaldi was unable to follow through on hiring for about 80 positions, because qualified individuals would not take jobs that were about to be turned over to the contractor.

The Army says that a re-audit of the employee bid, which was sparked by the contractor's protest, showed that the original audit did not cover all of the work performed and, therefore, the Army Audit Agency had to withdraw its original audit. This explanation is not sitting well on Capitol Hill, however. House Oversight Committee chairman Waxman, who has led efforts in the House to investigate the Bush Administration's heavy reliance on contractors, declared at the March 5 hearing that "In Iraq, we're overpaying for the work of contractors, and here [at Walter Reed], we're underserving the military and something has to be done." Both Weightman and Kiley admitted, under questioning from D.C. Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton (D) that the combined effects of A-76 and BRAC were "two huge impacts" on the civilian workforce at Walter Reed. Tierney indicated, at the conclusion of the hearing, that the privatization process would be subject to further scrutiny by the subcommittee, and asked Army leaders for their cooperation in securing further documentation to aid the subcommittee's investigation.

#### **BRAC Also Coming Under Scrutiny**

At the time the base closure list was released, Pentagon statements hailed the decision to close Walter Reed and replace it with new facilities at the Bethesda Naval Hospital in Maryland and at Fort Belvoir in Virginia as transforming "legacy medical infrastructure into a premier, modernized joint operational medicine platform." Kiley testified at the March 5 hearing, however, that, during the Pentagon's internal deliberations to develop the base closing list, he had actually recommended that Walter Reed be kept open. A Feb. 25, 2005 Pentagon memo reports that, during a meeting of the medical base closing group, the Army representative had expressed concern that the closing of Walter Reed "hinders their [the Army's] ability to meet surge requirements and appropriately care for solders and their families."

The chairman of the group, then-Air Force Surgeon General Lt. Gen. George Taylor, replied that there would be no loss of capability from closing Walter Reed because of the proposed new facilities and that Walter Reed's infrastructure will have to be replaced in 10 to 20 years, anyway. In fact, it appears from the BRAC documentation, that the Army representative on the medical group consistently opposed recommendations to close Walter Reed throughout the group's deliberations. When the Walter Reed proposal came before the BRAC Commission on Aug. 25, 2005, the commission brushed aside concerns from both within and outside the Army, and approved the recommendation by an 8-0 vote.

With the revelations concerning the treatment of outpatients at Walter Reed, the decision to close the entire campus has been re-opened. Norton introduced legislation March 8 to prohibit the closing of the base. She said that the disruptions in outpatient care that had been disclosed by the *Washington Post* and in Congressional hearings call for this rare reversal, "to stop the proverbial bleeding of staff and talent . . . and to stop the madness of closing the nation's most vital and best military hospital in the middle of a shooting war and the war on terrorism." She also said that Defense Appropriations Subcommittee chairman John Murtha (D-Pa.) promised her that her bill will be incorporated into the fiscal 2007 war supplemental spending bill.

Similar sympathies were expressed in a hearing of the Senate Armed Services Committee on March 6. Sen. Hillary Clinton (D-N.Y.) called the BRAC decision "demoralizing," and said that it has "undermined an already fragile system." Sen. James Webb (D-Va.) noted that continuing consolidation of medical facilities, which has been taking place under BRAC since the early 1990s, makes it difficult to retain experienced staff. The only dissent came from Sen. John Warner (R-Va.) who urged the committee, instead, to expedite the \$2 billion in funding for the new facilities at Bethesda and Fort Belvoir.

Multiple investigations are now underway to determine how the situation at Walter Reed was allowed to develop and to make changes to insure such problems never arise, again. However, without addressing the Bush-Cheney policies which led to the Iraq War, and the destruction of the military, it is likely that there will be more Walter Reed-type scandals in the future.

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### **Editorial**

## Do You Know What Time It Is?

Responding to the final question during his March 7 webcast, which essentially asked what concerned people should do about the current crisis, Lyndon LaRouche defined the issue that should inform all political thinking in the crucial days and weeks ahead:

"The first thing to concentrate on, is always ask: What time is it? What time does the calendar place you in? What moment in history are you located in? What's the territory that you're operating in?

"We're now at a point where the reality is that nothing is important, unless you're looking at the fact that the entire international financial, monetary, and economic system, is now in a state of collapse, of chain-reaction collapse. What are you going to do about that? Because, if you're not doing something to solve that, everything else you think of is worthless. It's irrelevant. The flood is come. The locust plague has carried everything off. How do you stop the locust plague?

"The issue is that people have to wake up, and little people have to become big people. . . ."

One of the direct audiences of LaRouche's remarks, of course, was the U.S. Congress, a group which has, in many respects, been sitting on its hands, even since the anti-Administration victory on Nov. 7, 2006. Leading Democrats have sat back and watched the auto sector be dismantled over the past *two years*, despite the prescient warnings, and solutions, which LaRouche put forward in the Spring of 2005. They have refused to challenge the anti-FDR powers-that-be in their own party, and to face the consequences *for the nation and the world* of refusing to act to save the U.S. machine-tool capacity.

There has been a similar paralysis on the question of the bankrupt financial system. Can any Members of Congress honestly say they didn't realize that the real estate market was another huge bubble, headed for the same fate as the IT bubble in 2000? Can any Congressman or woman deny that they knew of the predatory role of the hedge funds, which have moved in to suck the lifeblood out of enterprise after enterprise, leaving behind nothing but a husk and a new mound of unpayable debt?

Now, belatedly, some Congressmen and Senators are announcing their intention to hold hearings on the

out-of-control activities of the hedge funds, including even some *regulation* of their activities. But, given what time it is, these actions are too little, too late to accomplish anything meaningful. The *only* way to "control" the hedge funds is to *abolish them*, and to handle the gaping holes which this will leave in the world financial system by establishing a new monetary-financial system, based on the principles which Franklin Delano Roosevelt proved to work.

The current breakdown phase of the U.S. economy also sets a very immediate deadline on the question of the Administration's war policy. There is every reason to believe that the British-linked financier controllers of the Bush Administration want to create a new war crisis, by which they can batten down the political hatches, and establish dictatorial rule. Thus, a perspective that calls for months, if not years, of gradual withdrawal and changes in the Southwest Asian theater, does not address the crisis at all. It leaves the elements in place which could detonate into a new war, and/or terrorist upsurge.

Which brings us to the most crucial question of timing—the removal of Vice President Dick Cheney.

Every moment that Dick Cheney remains in office, where he can exercise his thuggish control over the President and the Congress, represents a disaster for the United States and the world. There is *no* way that a Congress which cannot find the courage to impeach a Vice President who has repeatedly, flagrantly violated the trust and laws of the United States and its Constitution, can implement the emergency economic and political measures that are required.

There are those, of course, who continue to say that we can tolerate Cheney and Bush until the 2008 election, that it's not that far away. Do they want the blood of a new war, or even the ongoing one, on their hands? Do they want the burden of creating millions of new unemployed, of cutting children and the elderly off all government support, of taking food out of the mouths of the hungry? *No* positive changes in policy will occur with Cheney still in office.

No. It's time to recognize what time it is, and prepare for a new just economic system. Remove Cheney now!

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