Greek Leader Seeks Kirchner's Advice On Exit from Euro

Aug. 5—Theodore Katsanevas, economics professor at the University of Piraeus (Greece), and a founder of the anti-euro Drachma 5 Party in that country, has requested that the government of Cristina Fernández de Kirchner send "a top Argentine official to Greece to explain the Kirchner policy approach" in its battle against "the vulture funds and the banks more generally."

Professor Katsanevas issued his proposal in the form of a question sent to the July 27 webcast of Helga Zepp-LaRouche, president of the Schiller Institute in Germany, and Dennis Small, Ibero-American editor of EIR, in dialogue with a meeting in Buenos Aires. The webcast was titled: "Glass-Steagall: How To Stop the Global Financial Meltdown Over a Weekend; Who Is Out To Topple the Kirchner Government in Argentina, and Why?" Here is the exchange:

Katsanevas: I am interested in knowing about the Argentine government's future plans, how it is facing the problems posed by the vulture funds, and the banks more generally, and whether it has the support of the Argentine people.

Specifically, what is its view on Glass-Steagall, and what is the overall state of the Argentine economy? We would like to know whether the Kirchner government has any advice for us regarding "Grexit" [a Greek exit from the euro—ed.]. A visit by a top Argentine official to Greece, to explain the Kirchner policy approach, would be most welcome here."

Small: I do not represent the Argentine government, nor am I going to say anything or put a response in its mouth. However, we can have a sense of what their response might be, on the basis of what they have said on other occasions regarding the Argentine situation, and what their approach is to Europe.

President Cristina Kirchner has said that the de-



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struction which the Troika is currently bringing about in Europe, is unthinkable. And it is also useful to recall what President Nestor Kirchner said on April 15, 2005, in Munich, Germany: "There is life after the International Monetary Fund, and it is a very good life." That was in 2005. One decade earlier, in 1995, Lyndon La-Rouche's *EIR* magazine published a special report, and we held international events, under the title: "Yes, There Is Life After the Death of the International Monetary Fund."

It's pretty clear that the right path for Europe is exactly what Helga Zepp-LaRouche has indicated. The chessboard has to be completely kicked over. It is not only necessary for every country to leave the euro; rather, the euro has to leave Europe altogether. The euro system should not exist, because it is a system of looting and austerity run by the British Empire.

We have proposed measures which, along with Glass-Steagall, are required to fix the European situation. Therefore, from our standpoint, the standpoint of the international LaRouche movement, we believe it would be highly desirable for there to be direct exchanges among the patriots of Argentina and Greece, and of Spain, Italy, the U.S., Russia, and others. That is precisely why we organized this international webcast. Because only that kind of international coordination among those of us who are both patriots of our respective countries, and world citizens, as Schiller put it, only in that way will we be able to defeat the British Empire.

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A video of the webcast is posted at http://larouchepac.com/webcasts/20130727.html.