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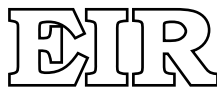
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From the Editors

We end 2014 on an optimistic note, despite the need for an abundance of caution as well. The era of police-state measures, lies, and fascist economic austerity which has increasingly crushed the U.S. population since the British/Saudi assault on the United States on Sept. 11, 2001, is currently being profoundly shaken, opening up the potential for the United States joining the new world economic order being created by the countries of the BRICS.

The Dec. 12 LaRouchePAC webcast (*Feature*) provides a comprehensive picture of the sea change in process, beginning with the courageous release of the Torture Report by the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, and including the raging battle that has broken out in Congress over Wall Street's control of the Administration and Republican leadership. The emergence of public fights over these issues holds the promise of finally freeing the United States from the Bush-Obama disaster, and opening up the pathway to Constitutional government, including Glass-Steagall, once again.

British war provocations continue, of course, as our *International* lead describes, but the U.S. and NATO are increasingly being outweighed by the BRICS alliance, as the results of the recent visit by President Putin to India reflect.

The fact sheet, "Who Is Behind the Drive To Dismember Russia?" (*Counterintelligence*) makes the air-tight case that there is one coordinated nexus deploying for global thermonuclear war, ranging from the Chechen radicals to ISIS, the Ukrainian Nazis, and U.S. neo-cons like Obama's State Department official for Eastern Europe and Eurasia, Victoria Nuland.

Meanwhile, financial blowout looms, today signalled by an oil price collapse which threatens to implode the unprecedented derivatives bubble (*Economics*). That's what happens to an economy built on looting and money, rather than on the physical economic principles of Alexander Hamilton. Hamilton's concepts are being actualized today in the BRICS—and Helga Zepp-LaRouche's Schiller Institute is fighting to bring the U.S. and Europe into that alliance. See our coverage of the recent conferences, especially Zepp-LaRouche's message, which is appropriate going into the New Year (*National*):

"So, let's join, to get the United States and Europe to join with the BRICS, to join with the new paradigm, because that is the only war avoidance strategy which will work."

The Editors wish you a joyful Holiday Season. Our next issue will be dated Jan. 2, 2014.