Don't Criticize Obama, —Crush Him!

by Jeffrey Steinberg

Nov. 24—The November 13 terrorist attack in Paris, and the response to that attack, has now created an opportunity for Americans who are not cowards, to throw President Barack Obama from office. Beginning with the September 30 announcement by Vladimir Putin of the Russian government's decision to provide military assistance to the government of Syria, a trap has been sprung on Obama, one wherein his continued support for the ISIS terrorists has increasingly been revealed before the eyes of the entire world. Now, with the carnage and mass murder in Paris, Obama and his British masters are openly exposed as the controllers of ISIS against the nations of Europe, the very same nations who are suffering not only from the shock of the Paris attacks, but also from the rapidly escalating refugee crisis which has resulted from the Obama-British-Saudi backing of ISIS.

The potential for Obama's removal is very real. Nevertheless, two things must be stated: First, as discussed in the lead editorial in this issue of EIR. Obama is and always has been a puppet of the British monarchy, and his actions do not represent the constitutional interests of the United States. It is precisely his removal from office which is urgently required to free U.S. policy-making from British control. Without Obama's removal, there will be no real change in American policy, and the escalating crisis will quickly bring the entire world to the brink of World War III.

Second, although some few have now begun to expose some of Obama's crimes, it must be said that they usually fail even to mention his name as the criminal, much less demand his removal, and humiliate him to his face, both publicly and privately, as they must do. What's wrong with them? Are they afraid of him? Look how many people he has killed!



Presidency of the Republic of Turkey

Obama and his buddy, Turkish President Erdogan, at the Nov. 15, 2015 G20 Summit in Antalya, Turkey.

If there are Americans who possess courage and patriotism, they must call openly for Obama's impeachment, and demoralize him through humiliation and ridicule. Others who are straddling the fence or trying to hide, must also stop playing "practical politics" and act to save the nation. Obama's ego must be destroyed, and he must be removed now by the prescribed constitutional means—impeachment, removal under the 25th Amendment, or forced resignation.

The diagnosis of Obama as a deranged Satanist, and the demand for his removal, has been repeatedly stated by Lyndon LaRouche since 2009. The crisis we find ourselves in today is a direct result of the failure by U.S. and world leaders to act on LaRouche's warnings over the course of the last six years. In October of last year, LaRouche initiated his Manhattan Project precisely because of the worsening crisis and the lack of moral courage among the American public and its elected representatives. At last, some of the deafening silence about Obama's crimes has been broken, but far, far more is required. It is not enough to list Obama's crimes. He must be destroyed morally and removed from office.

Obama's Policies Boost ISIS

The propaganda emanating from the Obama White House concerning the war in Syria can only be described as a Bertrand Russell "snow is black" moment. Lies built upon lies. While pretending to wage war against ISIS, Obama has obediently followed the diktats of the British monarchy and has aligned the United States with the very nations that are bankrolling and arming ISIS and the other jihadist groups. The Obama Administration, under British direction, has embraced Saudi Arabia, Turkey, and Qatar, the very governments that are directing the mass murderous attacks by ISIS intended to overthrow the Bashar al-Assad government in Damascus.

Former Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) head Gen. Michael Flynn has repeatedly emphasized that the Obama Administration has been directly arming the Syrian rebels since no later than 2012, through a weapons and personnel "rat line" running between Benghazi in Libya, and Syria, often in partnership with Turkey and Qatar. That "ratline" has been a joint project of British and American intelligence networks, under the U.S. supervision of John Brennan, the current head of the CIA who was President Obama's White House counter-terrorism czar during his first term.

Scores of DIA and State Department documents, released under the Freedom of Information Act, have detailed the depth of U.S. and British collusion with the very jihadist forces that ultimately spawned the Islamic State insurgency. In a July 29, 2015 interview with *Al Jazeera America*, Gen. Flynn dismissed the idea that Obama's policies fueled the jihadist cause as a result of "oversight." He stated that the evidence was conclusive that it was conscious White House policy to arm and back the jihadists.

When Gen. Flynn, as head of the DIA, continued to produce intelligence assessments contrary to Obama's policies, including the warning that those policies would lead to the creation of an Islamist caliphate on the eastern shores of the Mediterranean in Syria and Iraq, he was unceremoniously fired by President Obama in the summer of 2014.

Director of National Intelligence Gen. James Clapper, a slavish Obama loyalist, then began squeezing

Central Command (Centcom) to alter its own assessments of the war against ISIS and al-Nusra, to paint a fake picture of success.

The Centcom intelligence fraud has now become the subject of a serious probe by the Pentagon's Inspector General (IG) and by several congressional committees, after Centcom and DIA analysts filed a formal complaint with the IG that their reports were being doctored by higher-ups. One senior military source familiar with the details of the rewriting of the Centcom assessments drew the parallel to Vice President Dick Cheney's creation of the Office of Special Plans (OSP) at the Pentagon, to produce fake intelligence about Saddam Hussein's weapons of mass destruction program, a program that in fact never existed after the 1991 Operation Desert Storm. OSP's fake allegations were used to justify the March 2003 invasion of Iraq.

Impeachment Long Overdue

The outright criminality of the Obama intervention in Syria, backing ISIS and al-Nusra terrorists while pretending to be fighting them, has already passed the constitutional threshold for initiating immediate impeachment proceedings in the House of Representatives.

Additionally, Obama's drone kill program is not only grounds for impeachment, but for criminal prosecution. The sessions every Tuesday, in which the President personally signs off on kill orders, based on intelligence dossiers cynically called "baseball cards," themselves constitute a crime of mass murder. Evidence leaked to *The Intercept* makes clear that even the minimal standards for carrying out the drone kill orders, established by the President himself, have been systematically abused, resulting in 70 to 90 percent of the people murdered in Obama's drone war being innocent bystanders.

Furthermore, to this day, Obama continues to cover up the role of the Saudi monarchy in the September 11, 2001 attacks, a coverup that directly led to the murder of U.S. Ambassador Chris Stevens and three other American personnel in Benghazi on September 11, 2012, to the Paris attacks of November 13, 2015, and many other atrocities.

Had the Saudi monarchy been brought to account for 9/11, more than a decade of support for jihadist terrorists would have been prevented. The Bush and Obama administrations' coverup of the bloody Saudi hand behind 9/11 has recurring consequences, which

can no longer go unanswered in the wake of the Paris slaughter of last week.

An Outcry

Many of these crimes are coming to the surface in the dramatically changed environment since the Paris attacks.

Rep. Tulsi Gabbard (D-Hi.), an Iraq war veteran and a Vice Chair of the Democratic National Committee, has emerged as an outspoken Congressional critic of Obama's entire policy towards the Middle East and Russia. She has strongly advocated a strategic partnership with Russia to defeat the Islamic State, and has repeatedly denounced the Obama policy of regime change as one of the greatest sources of terrorist recruitment.

On November 19, Rep. Gabbard and Rep. Austin Scott (R-Ga.) introduced a bill into the House of Representatives to

end the U.S. policy of attempting to overthrow the Assad government. In a press release, Gabbard said the purpose of the bill is to "bring an immediate end to the illegal, counter-productive war to overthrow the Syrian government of Assad."

Her press release listed ten reasons to end the drive to overthrow Assad, with the last reason being: "Because our war to overthrow the Assad government puts us in direct conflict with Russia and increases the likelihood of war between the United States and Russia and the possibility of another world war." She emphasized that "because the U.S. is trying to overthrow the Syrian government of Assad and Russia is supporting the government of Assad, it is impossible for us to have an effective, cooperative relationship with Russia in our mutual fight against ISIS. Our focus on overthrowing Assad is interfering with our ability to destroy ISIS."

Other members of Congress, including California Republican Dana Rohrabacher and Texas Democrat Beto O'Rourke, and GOP Presidential candidate Sen. Rand Paul (Ky.), have all assailed Obama's policy of confrontation with Russia, using the Paris atrocities to argue for strategic cooperation with Russia and the severing of ties to Saudi Arabia, which has been described as the "father of the Islamic State" for its promotion of Wahhabism.

Gen. Peter Zwack, the U.S. military attaché in Moscow from 2012 to 2014, wrote in *Defense One* on



Congresswoman Tulsi Gabbard, visiting France Nov. 20, paying her respects at the Paris memorial site where American student Nohemi Gonzalez was killed in the ISIS assault Nov. 13.

November 19 that the United States had to resume regular military-to-military relations with Russia. He called on President Obama to give a "green light" for Defense Secretary Ashton Carter and Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman Gen. Joseph Dunford to meet with their Russian counterparts, Sergey Shoigu and Gen. Valery Gerasimov, right away.

Gen. Zwack warned, "without a dialog of any consequence our strategic defense relationship will be even more dangerous and prone to hair-trigger miscalculation or misunderstanding. Without patient dialogue, even if unsatisfying, there will be little chance of better understanding each other's perspectives and identifying points of convergence within the mud of divergence. Without contact, we both continue to demonize each other while hardening our populations. . . . Without direct dialog between our senior defense leaders we cannot even begin to consider a more mutually cooperative and secure future."

Drone Whistleblowers

Possibly what may provide the most immediate opportunity to bring down Obama altogether is the surfacing last week of four ex-Air Force drone pilots, who released a dramatic letter to President Obama, Defense Secretary Carter, and CIA Director Brennan, in which they called for an immediate end to Obama's drone kill program.



Taos Veterans for Peace

Cian Westmoreland, one of the four drone pilots who wrote to President Obama, speaking at the Taos Veterans Speak event July 11-12 in Taos, New Mexico.

"We joined the Air Force to protect American lives and to protect our Constitution. We came to the realization that the innocent civilians we were killing only fueled the feelings of hatred that ignited terrorism and groups like ISIS, while also serving as a fundamental recruitment tool similar to Guantanamo Bay. This administration and its predecessors have built a drone program that is one of the most devastating driving forces for terrorism and destabilization around the world," the four wrote.

When the guilt of our roles in facilitating this systematic loss of innocent life became too much, all of us succumbed to PTSD. We were cut loose by the same government we gave so much to—sent out in the world without adequate medical care, reliable public health services, or necessary benefits. Some of us are now homeless. Others of us barely make it.

We witnessed gross waste, mismanagement, abuses of power, and our country's leaders lying publicly about the effectiveness of the drone program. We cannot sit silently by and witness tragedies like the attacks in Paris, knowing the devastating effects the drone program has over-

seas and at home. Such silence would violate the very oaths we took to support and defend the Constitution.

The letter was signed by Staff Sergeant Brandon Bryant, Senior Airman Cian Westmoreland, Senior Airman Stephen Lewis, and Senior Airman Michael Haas.

Their story is now being broadly circulated in a documentary film that opened in New York City and Toronto last week. The eyewitness accounts they present are sufficient grounds to begin immediate impeachment proceedings against President Obama and others in the drone-kill chain of command.

Impeachment proceedings are not at all farfetched. Republican lawmakers are debating the issue behind closed doors, although the discussions are principally driven by political opportunism, rather than constitutionally informed courage.

The Obama White House is well aware of the stakes, and taking measures to defend against possible criminal charges. While pressuring the major American corporate media to black out any reference to the *Drone Papers*, Justice Department and White House lawyers are considering a range of options for protecting the President from criminal prosecution, while at the same time obligating the next administration to continue with the same drone-kill programs.

These actions by Obama's handlers show the fear that has begun to set in at the White House. The details and implications of Obama's crimes—and his British-sponsored treason—are beginning to emerge into the light of day. Nothing short of immediate impeachment or invoking of the 25th Amendment will suffice. The Obama policies of mass murder, deceit, and trading with the enemy must stop *now*.

Now is not the time for either elected officials or American citizens to be practical or to "go along to get along." The bloody victims in Paris cry out for Justice. Such justice is impossible as long as Obama occupies the White House. U.S. Senators, Representatives, and all other patriotic Americans must take their lead from LaRouche's Manhattan Project: What is required is the moral courage to accomplish his immediate removal from office. It is not enough to denounce the crimes. You must name, denounce, shame and humililate the criminal; crush his ego, and thus demoralize him to freeze his thermonuclear trigger-finger while he is quickly railroaded out of office.