

Executive Order Makes Philippines U.S. Colony in Drive for China War

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Jan. 13—The Philippine LaRouche Society chairman Butch Valdes yesterday denounced the decision by the Philippine Supreme Court to approve President Benigno (Noy) Aquino's treasonous deal with President Barack Obama, which turns Philippine military bases over to U.S. military occupation. The Court ruled the deal to be an "executive agreement" rather than a treaty, and therefore supposedly legal and constitutional, and therefore not requiring the approval of the nation's Senate.

The decision creates a Constitutional crisis, since the Philippines Senate voted in December that the agreement was clearly a treaty as defined by the Constitution, and must thus be approved by the Senate—which would likely vote to reject the criminal and suicidal agreement.

Lyndon LaRouche stated today that this agreement, if not stopped, constitutes a British recolonization of the Philippines through their agent Barack Obama. The entire process was run by Obama. It was signed during his visit to Manila in April 2014, and was intended to be approved by the Court during his visit in November 2015, but the huge opposition from the population and the Senate stalled that decision.

The agreement, called the Enhanced Defense Cooperation Agreement (EDCA), will allow the United States to deploy its most advanced air, land, and sea forces, and weaponry into Philippine military bases, despite a clear Constitutional restraint on any foreign bases on Philippine soil without Senate concurrence.

The eight bases named thus far include Subic Bay and Clark Airfield (two primary U.S. bases used in the genocidal, failed U.S. war on Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia), as well as two bases on Palawan Island, a Philippine island which juts out into the South China

Sea. It makes a mockery of Obama's lie that China is militarizing the South China Sea by building up artificial islands with light houses and airstrips.

LaRouche added that the indication is clear that Obama intends to start World War III.

The statement by the Philippine LaRouche Society's Butch Valdes reads:

The Final Betrayal

The Filipino people have been betrayed yet again. . . not just by a demented president, nor by prostituted legislators, but by the very institution mandated to uphold, first and foremost, the Constitution of the Sovereign Philippine Republic.

Like fools and Judases, they hide behind faulty technical issues of the EDCA, twisting definitions, leaning on flimsy interpretations to manufacture their blatantly treasonous decision. Willfully blind to the true nature of the U.S. military installations inside Philippine Military Bases—which may very possibly be silos of nuclear-



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A view of the U.S. Naval Base at Subic Bay in the Philippines, as it was in 1981. It's been closed since 1992, but is now set to be reactivated.

armed medium/long-range rockets aimed at China—these justices of the Supreme Court commit treason of the highest degree against the Filipino people.

In my opinion, they have collectively sworn allegiance to a foreign occupying power which makes them moral cowards who do not deserve any iota of respect from the citizenry. The late Chief Justice, José Abad Santos, a true hero and patriot, turns in his grave to have these despicable characters in the same revered Halls of Justice.

To consciously place 100 million Filipino lives at risk in a nuclear conflict between two super powers earns for them the worst places in hell... and may they live long enough to experience the resulting pain and destruction which they have caused.

The referenced former Chief Justice José Abad Santos was the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Philippines in 1941-42, and also acting President on behalf of President Manuel Quezon when Quezon went into exile in the United States after the Japanese invasion, on the advice of Gen. Douglas MacArthur. Chief Justice Santos stayed behind, but refused to capitulate to the Japanese occupiers' commands. The Japanese murdered him in 1942.

The comparison of the current U.S. military occupation of the Philippines to the Japanese occupation is absolutely correct, as the Japanese target was not the Philippines itself, but China and Asia generally—as is the case also with Obama.

The people of the Philippines will have a profound response to this accurate comparison. Will the U.S. population break through their degeneration to see what Obama is doing in their name, and remove him now, before it is too late?

The British Role

The British hand in this insanity traces back to the first days of the Twentieth Century. The U.S. had militarily liberated the country from its four centuries of colonization under Imperial Spain in the Spanish-American War in 1898. But rather than grant the Philippines its independence after an appropriate period of tutelage and support, the United States was convinced otherwise by the British, and especially by the British



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Philippine LaRouche Society chairman Butch Valdes, addressing the first national conference of the Save the Nation movement in Manila in April 2013.

agent Theodore Roosevelt, who campaigned for the U.S. Vice Presidency in 1900 on a platform of making the Philippines the first colony of an imperialist America. Teddy Roosevelt won the election, and became President within six months, due to the British assassination of President William McKinley. The Philippines thus became an American colony, and America's decline commenced.

Only with the election of Franklin Roosevelt in 1932 did the independence of the Philippines become a reality. FDR's commitment in 1935 to grant the Philippines independence after a ten-year transition was upheld in 1946, despite the intervening hell of the War in the Pacific. Gen. Douglas MacArthur, who had lived in the Philippines as a youth when his father was Governor-General there, strongly supported independence, and went to the Philippines to build an army when the plan for independence was announced in 1935.

Now, the British imperial policy has again taken over the United States under British assets George Bush and Barack Obama. The recolonization of the Philippines will be regarded in history as a crucial moment in the process of degeneracy of the United States and the perversion of the American System.

The official Chinese government news agency Xinhua on Jan. 13 pointed to that degeneracy, writing that the deal will "make the Philippines a launching pad for U.S. military intervention in the Asia-Pacific," and will "only aggravate regional tensions and could push the situation to the brink of war."

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