

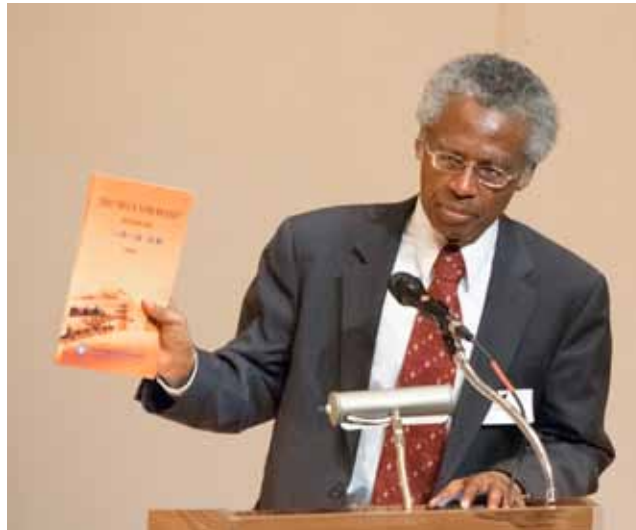
Dialogue of Cultures: The Content of Strategy Is the Method Used to Make It

by Dennis Speed

April 25—Even as British Defense secretary Sir Michael Fallon made the lunatic statement on BBC radio's April 24 "Today" program that, "In the most extreme circumstances, we have made it very clear that you can't rule out the use of nuclear weapons as a first strike," saner forces had already moved to replace his geopolitical arguments for self-extinction with a human idea of durable survival for the planet as a whole.

The Schiller Institute, in cooperation with the China Energy Fund Committee and the Foundation for the Revival of Classical Culture, had provided a forum for discussion by scholars, scientists, engineers, diplomats, and citizens, of the possibility for a new cultural platform, a higher conceptual level congruent with the "Belt and Road Initiative" of China—a kind of cultural New Silk Road. Several conference panelists argued that this was the "cognitive height" from which the mutual interest of all of humanity should be simultaneously addressed, rather than allow "brutish" empires to conduct preventive war, an international war crime as defined at Nuremberg, but apparently not acknowledged by the British Defense Secretary.

The first panel of the two-day, April 13-14 Manhattan conference on "U.S.-China Cooperation on the Belt and Road Initiative and Corresponding Ideas in Chinese and Western Philosophy," was published in our previous issue, dated April 21. The scientifically important second panel of the first day, "Engineering the New



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Silk Road," will be covered in our forthcoming May 5 issue. The section in this *EIR* covers the second day's proceedings, along with other articles on the same theme.

On April 14, covered in this issue, the founder of the Schiller Institutes, Helga Zepp-LaRouche, known for two decades as "the Silk Road Lady" for her tireless campaign for what has now become known worldwide as the "New Silk Road/One Belt One Road" policy, spoke

on the topic: "The Ideal of Highest Humanity: the Common Philosophical Foundations of Western and Asian Culture." At the opening of her presentation, Zepp-LaRouche revealed the epistemological root of the irreconcilable nature of the conflict between the forces of civilization, and the British Empire:

The Schiller Institute had from the very beginning the idea that you had to have a just, new world economic order. . . . The hope-filled vision of President Xi Jinping for what he always calls "a community of the shared future of mankind," which he conceptualized along with the "Win-Win" cooperation of the New Silk Road, has recently been adopted in a resolution of the UN Security Council, which means that it is now officially—even if in any case it had been that already—it's now an overarching principle, which binds all nations of this world to this higher per-

spective. With this concept, for the first time, a strategic initiative has been put on the agenda which can replace war-causing geopolitics, with the ideal of an united humanity.

In the three and one half years since Xi Jinping proposed this, in Kazakhstan in September 2013, this policy, this idea, has rapidly become widespread, and inspired more and more nations, particularly among the less developed nations. It has promoted an optimism that was previously absent, optimism that in the near future poverty can be overcome and that humane conditions of life for all people on this planet can be created. Countless people from different nations and cultures perceive that we are standing at the beginning of a new epoch of universal history.

But why is it that so many governments and heads of state and politicians and broad-minded people recognize in an instant the enormous potential embodied in it to define the common goals of humanity from the standpoint of the future—while others state that there must be “hidden reasons” behind the Belt and Road Initiative, that there are sinister motives from China, replacing one imperialism with another one, this time a Chinese one? How is it possible, that the same factual object—namely, that the concrete development concept for all of humanity is being realized, comes only to be interpreted in such completely different ways? These opposing points of view obviously have to do with the different axioms of thinking from which this question is approached.

Zepp-LaRouche’s and Mike Billington’s presentations on Day Two of the conference, forcefully introduced the German thinkers Gottfried Leibniz, the true inventor of the science of physical economy, and Cardinal Nicholas of Cusa, the man who, through his scientific method of “negative theology,” as demonstrated in his work *On Learned Ignorance*, revolutionized all of Western thought. Cusa and Leibniz were, in contradistinction to Bertrand Russell (whose 1922 book, *The Problem of China*, had afflicted both Chinese and non-Chinese with mutual cultural misperceptions for decades), the carriers of the Platonic tradition that asserts that there are no limits to human creativity—and there-



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Dr. Patrick Ho (left) and Helga Zepp-LaRouche.

fore no limits to growth.

A lively discussion was undertaken in the question and answer session with the China Energy Fund Committee’s Patrick Ho, who, in his wide-ranging speech—which discussed the *I Ching* (Yijing), Confucian thought, and Lao Tze (Laozi)—asserted that Chinese thinkers had often “done what Europe did before Europe” in several areas of science.

Zepp-LaRouche and Billington clearly differed from Dr. Ho’s conception of what he termed “Western thought.” Billington, in particular, insisted that both British and British-influenced Chinese figures had either intentionally suppressed or completely misunderstood the true contributions of thinkers such as Leibniz, both in Europe and in Asia, and it was the war between epistemologies and worldviews that must be understood, rather than an apocryphal geographic “cultural divide.”



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A conference attendee asking a question during a dialogue period, following the presentations of one of the sessions.

Free Humanity from Rule by Empire

The implications of this particular discussion for international strategy are enormous, perhaps even existential. For centuries, British East India Company employees, such as John Locke, David Hume, Adam Smith, and Thomas Malthus have been identified as “thinkers,” and British empiricism, both in the form of induction and deduction, has been the “coin of the realm” (the British realm) in American education.

What Americans call “practical thinking” often involves depending on the methods devised by these lackeys of the Crown to determine “what is real and what is not.” This was not the method of thinking used by Benjamin Franklin, Alexander Hamilton, Edgar Allan Poe, or Lyndon LaRouche. They rejected the British method of argument. Franklin was a follower of Leibniz. (And, as researcher David Wang pointed out in a surprising and original presentation Friday on “The Confucian Influence on Ben Franklin and the American Revolution,” Franklin was well aware of Chinese philosophy and thought.) The United States, as a consequence, led the world in discoveries and inventions, and built the world’s greatest economy as a result.

It is that capacity which the British know will suddenly return to the United States if it joins Russia and China in the Belt and Road Initiative. Therefore, British ideology, what Winston Churchill once called “the Empire of the Mind,” is the battleground today for the soul of the United States, and of its Presidency.

Those in the United States who remain either baffled, dismissive, or merely cynical as to why the Trump Administration—which had clearly stated its opposition to “Project Democracy”-style regime change poli-

cies applied to Syria one week earlier—would then bomb Syria on April 6 (the same day that President Trump’s meeting with Chinese Premier Xi Jinping took place), might do well, or at least better, to consider the axioms now in play in the American mind. These are axioms that did not exist in the American mind, in this form, one hundred years ago. These are the axioms, leading to actions, that allowed that event, which in fact reversed without explanation the just-pronounced policy of the White House, to supplant that announced policy as though it had never been uttered. In order to assist the reader in unearthing that normally invisible lattice-work of axioms that render current history incomprehensible for nearly all Americans, consider the following to be “facts”:

- The primary actual allies of the United States in the world today are Russia and China.
- The primary actual enemy of the United States and of humanity, is the British Empire, and its post-industrial geopolitical strategy for population reduction.
- The “New Silk Road,” “One Belt One Road,” and “Belt and Road Initiative” policy evolutions that have been proposed by the Chinese government, each with greater clarity and precision, are fully convergent with the “American System” policies of Abraham Lincoln, Franklin Roosevelt, and John F. Kennedy, particularly Kennedy’s “Apollo Project” space-exploration orientation. Each of those American policies has been a realization, with greater or lesser degrees of success, of the policies enunciated in Alexander Hamilton’s Four Reports, on manufactures, credit, and the National Bank. By nature, all “Hamiltonian” policies oppose the continued existence of the British Empire, as did, in fact,

Lincoln, FDR, and JFK.

- “Green policies,” such as those laughably identified as the “true science” of global warming, are frauds deployed against the science of high energy-density technologies (such as advanced-design nuclear power

reactors and thermonuclear fusion). The purpose of advocacy of replacing fossil fuels with backward solar and wind, which are low-energy density forms of technology, is to argue for the “regrettable necessity” for forced population reduction to “save the planet,” by

Why You Can't See the British Empire at Work? Because You Are Looking Right at It!

On Jan. 21, just one day after President Trump was inaugurated, the UK's *Spectator* magazine ran an online article by Paul Wood entitled, “Will Donald Trump be Assassinated, Ousted in a Coup, or Just Impeached?”

As you will see below, this is British Policy, directly from the Monarchy itself, stated by Her Majesty's own ministers or her Imperial media mouthpieces, and what is reported here is just the last two weeks.

The UK's *Evening Standard* reported on April 11 that UK Foreign Minister Boris Johnson, attending the G7 meeting in Italy, pushed for a regime change policy in Syria. The *Standard* reported, “The summit united on a call for Assad to step down, and to send a message to Russian President Vladimir Putin that he must choose between aligning with the west or being tied to the dictator.”

The *Standard* then states, based on anonymous sources who apparently speak on behalf of the United States, “‘The American view is that Assad can go the nice way, which is that the Russians drop him, or the bad way, which is the Libyan example,’ said a source referring to the death of Libyan despot Muammar Gaddafi at the hands of a mob in 2011.”

Yet, this contradicts U.S. Secretary of State Rex Tillerson's public comments on national television just days earlier, when he said, “We've seen what that looks like, when you undertake a violent regime change in Libya, and the situation in Libya continues to be very chaotic. We have to learn the lessons of the past and learn the lessons of what went wrong in Libya when you choose that pathway of regime change.”

Regime change is not the American view, certainly not the American people, and also not the President's policy, rather, it is what the UK wishes the American view to be, so that its war crimes will be carried out by others, much like they deployed Hitler for war with Russia.

On April 17, the UK's *Independent* reported that the UK's Attorney General, Queen's Counsel Jeremy Wright, claimed that the legal case against Tony Blair, based on the British Parliament's Chilcot report—a report which investigated and proved Blair's role in the illegal Iraq war—is a hopeless case “because the crime of aggression does not exist in English law, even though it does exist in international law.”

The UN Charter, in this case based on the Nuremberg or London Charter which made the case against aggressive warfare following WWII, states in Article 2, paragraph 4, “All Members shall refrain in their international relations from the threat or use of force against the territorial integrity or political independence of any state, or in any other manner inconsistent with the Purposes of the United Nations.”

The UK is declaring itself above international law, or rather, asserting its tradition of Imperial Law, a law above nations. Tony Blair was his Queen's Prime Minister, and the Monarchy's power for assassination as with Gaddafi, illegal war as in Iraq and Libya, or coup d'état as in Ukraine in 2014, is the Monarchy's publicly stated criminal foreign policy.

Then on April 24, the UK's *Independent* again weighed in regarding the question of aggressive war, this time by Her Majesty's Defense Minister Michael Fallon. He stated, in response to the discussion on the UK's Trident Nuclear Missile program that, “In the most extreme circumstances, we have made it very clear that you can't rule out the use of nuclear weapons as a first strike.”

Regime change, aggressive warfare, and the first use of nuclear weapons are British policy.

reducing world population to less than 1-2 billion people. It is believed by the present generation of British anti-civilizationalists that only under such a condition could the present, “Darwinian” geopolitical world order dominated by the British Empire in the form of the British Commonwealth of nations, the “Five Eyes” intelligence arrangement, and the defunct NATO military alliance, stand a chance of “maintaining world order.”

In the days that followed the April 13-15 conference, as participants returned from the two-day gathering, the deeper impact of the uniqueness and urgency of the approach that Helga Zepp-LaRouche, Lyndon LaRouche, and others have fought for in the form of the World-Land-Bridge—against the geopolitics of the dying, failed British Empire—becomes increasingly evident.

Consider, for example, the somber implication for the future of geopolitics of the following announcement published by the Xinhua news agency and covered by *EIR*:

To “promote innovation and cooperation in space exploration,” Xinhua reports, China yesterday created a “coalition,” initiated by the Chinese Society of Astronautics and the Northwestern Polytechnical University in Xi’an, which involves forty-eight universities, research institutes, and academic organizations, both domestic and from abroad. Its purpose, explained Tian Yulong, Secretary-General of the China National Space Administration, is to “boost exchanges in space innovation between its members, and help joint training of high-caliber professionals.” China is already giving access to its space technology, such as its Beidou navigation satellite system, to countries along the Silk Road. Joint satellite projects have been under discussion.”

What does such a “Silk Road in Space” do to the “geopolitical,” “geostrategic” computer “war simulations” of the thermonuclear maniacs, the British liberal imperialists, and their ilk? What happens when the “Eurasian heartland” is also located above the heartland—in space? What happens when the “ocean power” of your empire has to take into consideration successfully sailing the five layers of the earth’s atmosphere, not to mention joint collaboration with nations on and around the Moon?

Astronaut Jack Fischer, speaking along with fellow astronaut Peggy Whitson to President Donald Trump

on April 24 from the International Space Station, excitedly said this:

I launched a Russian vehicle with my Russian friend [Cosmonaut Fyodor Yurchikhin] from Kazakhstan, got the immediate perspective changed, as we got to orbit and I saw that frail thin blue line of life around the Earth; six hours later we’re docked to the station; the next day I install an experiment in the Japanese module that’s going to be looking at new drugs, and how we can make those drugs for muscular dystrophy, Alzheimer’s, drug-resistant bacteria, all those sorts of things; a couple of hours later I watched our crewmate Thomas Pesquet, a Frenchman, drive a Canadian robotic arm to capture a spaceship from Virginia, carrying three-and-a-half tons of cargo and science that’s going to keep us busy for the next few months and dock that to the station.

Sir, it’s amazing. Oh, and then, now I’m talking to the President of the United States, while hanging from a wall—it’s amazing. The International Space Station is by far the best example of international cooperation and what we can do when we work together, in the history of humanity. And I am so proud to be a part of it.

The Silk Road in space, an incipient realization of the fourth of LaRouche’s [Four Laws](#) policy, if advocated vigorously as we approach the May 14-15 Beijing summit, and the subsequent May 29 one-hundredth birthday of President John Kennedy, would be the perfect answer to the “mad dogs and British imperialists” that would lose the whole world, and their souls, for the greater glory of a false idea of empire, an idea whose time has gone.

The United States, still the pre-eminent nation in space, could re-enter the domain of greatness by invoking JFK’s Apollo project, this time including the crash development of thermonuclear fusion power, necessary for travel to Mars, and for electrical power on Earth as well. If the United States should extend itself to all nations, and thus lift itself out of the hell of British imperial slavery to once again occupy its once-proud position as a beacon of hope for all humanity, the angry but impotent British Empire will stomp its feet, rip itself in two, and, like Rumpelstiltskin, disappear forever.