II. Beyond the Lies About the United States

Give Economic Development a Chance

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May 8—Despite the barrage of political warfare from the mainstream media attempting to divide the nation into discreet "political wings" perpetually alienated by "hot-button single issues," there is agreement on profound common principles among the vast majority of all people. Simultaneously, there is a clear intention for, and movement toward progress in regard to certain fundamental aspects of those principles by the current Presidency. In truth, the principles of Lyndon La-Rouche's "Four New Laws" define the essential policy direction around which the nation can be unified, and these laws, though not yet

LaRouche PAC organizer Daniel Burke talking to participants at the April 29, 2017 address by President Trump in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

fully understood, have not been ignored.

The common aims of these diverse "political categories" were illustrated by "liberal Democrat" Robert Reich in his "Red State Tour" of November 2015. He explained it as follows. "I've just returned from three weeks in 'red' America. It was ostensibly a book tour, but I wanted to talk with conservative Republicans and Tea Partiers. I intended to put into practice what I tell my students—that the best way to learn, is to talk with people who disagree with you. I wanted to learn from red America, and hoped they'd also learn a bit from me (and perhaps also buy my book). But something odd happened. It turned out that many of the conservative Republicans and Tea Partiers I met agreed with much of what I had to say, and I agreed with them."

He went on to elaborate:

I met in Cincinnati with Republican small-business owners who are still hurting from the bursting of the housing bubble and the bailout of Wall Street. "Why didn't underwater homeowners get any help?" one of them asked rhetorically. "Because Wall Street has all the power." Others nodded in agreement.

In Raleigh, I heard from local bankers who thought Bill Clinton should never have repealed the Glass-Steagall Act. "Clinton was in the pockets of Wall Street just like George W. Bush was," said one.

Most are also deadset against the Trans-Pacific Partnership. In fact, they're opposed to trade agreements, including NAFTA, that they believe have made it easier for corporations to outsource American jobs abroad.

President Trump also addressed a number of these core principles in his April 30 address in Pennsylvania, where he avoided the "dishonest media" and spoke directly to the American people, defining his primary policy objectives and initiatives:

For decades our country has lived through the greatest job theft in the history of the world. Our factories were shuttered, our steel mills closed down, and our jobs were stolen away and shipped

May 12, 2017 **EIR** 47 far away to other countries, some of which you've never even heard of.

To protect our jobs and our economic freedom, I immediately withdrew the United States from the horrible disaster that would have been another NAFTA but worse, the Trans-Pacific Partnership ... the TPP would have been a tremendous disaster for our country, and we are not going to surrender Pennsylvania jobs ever again. We've done that once before—it's not going to happen.

We are reviewing every single trade deal, and wherever there is cheating, we will take immediate action and there will be a penalty. And we will renegotiate NAFTA, and if we don't get a good deal and a fair deal for our country... We'll start a renegotiation, and hopefully it will be fair for everybody, and if it's not a fair deal for our country—because you have to understand, we have been on the wrong side of the NAFTA deal for many, many years, many decades. We can't allow it to happen. So we are going to renegotiate, and if we can't make a fair deal for our companies and our workers, we will terminate NAFTA....

I followed through on my promise and issued a new directive to buy American and hire American. In just these first few months, we created 99,000 new construction jobs, 49,000 new manufacturing jobs, and 27,000 new mining jobs. ...

Although these initiatives don't meet the measure of LaRouche's complete economic program, the intention to revive the physical base of the U.S. economy is clear. The first of LaRouche's "Four Laws," Glass-Steagall, was also addressed by President Trump in an interview in the Oval Office on May 1st, when the President was asked, "Should we break up the big banks? Do you support that?" Trump responded, "There are—you know, some people that want to go back to the old system, right? So we're going to look at that. We're going to—we're looking at it right now as we speak."

Glass-Steagall is and always has been the only way to protect the real economy from the usurious nature of the "financial industry" run by Wall Street and London interests.

The LaRouche economic program involves extending the New Silk Road process of Eurasia into a World Landbridge infrastructure plan, and cooperating closely with China to carry it out. President Trump has ex-

pressed the importance with which he regards the relationship with China, calling China's President Xi Jinping, "a man that I've gotten to like and respect," and stressing the common economic interests of the United States and China.

Secretary of State Rex Tillerson also expressed the President's objective of a new era of U.S.-China relations in an April 3 speech to the State Department.

Well, it's extraordinarily important—first to just the broader relationship of where U.S.-China relations are going to find themselves over the next two to three to four decades. I think we are at a bit of an inflection point in the U.S.-China relationship. Now, North Korea is a threat that presents itself right up front to both of us, and in our conversations with the Chinese—and we have been very clear to them—I was on my initial trips to Beijing and then in the visit of President Xi to Mar-a-Lago, the President and I were able to be very clear to them—that things have to change in North Korea and we need their help doing that.

I think we need to understand one another, and understand that China is on a pathway of continuing to emerge with their own people in terms of providing a quality of life to their own population. They've made enormous progress over the last 10 to 15 years—500 million Chinese have moved out of poverty into middle-class status

Our understanding of them—and I think they need to have an understanding of us—is that we do not seek to constrain their need to continue their economic growth and to continue to help their people enjoy a better quality of life. As they are pursuing that, though, they have to do that in a way that supports stability around the rest of the world as well.

If the press were to report these facts, the American people would stop being manipulated around artificial biases, and instead would see the potential for dramatic change for the improvement of the entire nation, and for a new global paradigm. This will not be achieved by slapping together solutions for media-manufactured "issues," but by putting into motion a process which will emerge as a superior mode of human existence over the next 50 years.

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