

**LPAC-Interview med Fouad al-Ghaffari,
Yemen. BRIKS-ungdom i Yemen
siger til
deres amerikanske partnere:
'Følg Lyndon LaRouches vise
ord
og gå med i hans bevægelse'.
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Vært Matthew Ogden: I dag, mens vi taler, begås der en folkemordskrig mod Yemens folk. Denne krig, der nu har raset i godt to år, begås af det saudiske kongedømme, med den stiltiende og direkte støtte fra både USA's regering og Det forenede Kongerige (UK). Denne støtte omfatter våbensalg for milliarder af dollars, som omfatter kampfly, ammunition og andre tunge våben, samt direkte støtte på slagmarken i form af overvågning og brændstofpåfyldning (i luften). Ifølge den seneste rapport fra FN er over 10.000 mennesker døde i denne krig; flest civile. Andre tusinder er såret. En stor del af dødsfaldene skyldes sygdom, inklusive kolera; og der er mindst 19 millioner mennesker, der har desperat behov for humanitær hjælp. 7 million mennesker har desperat behov for mad. De har imidlertid ikke haft mulighed for at få adgang til de nødvendige forsyninger, fordi saudierne har blokeret alle

nødhjælpsforsendelser.

Mange amerikanere er fuldstændig ubevidst om denne menneskelige tragedie, der forårsages af en totalt uretfærdig og ulovlig aggressionskrig imod Yemens befolkning. En krig, der frem til i dag støttes af USA's regering. For at gøre det amerikanske folk bekendt med dette folkemord, og for at stoppe blodbadet, der foregår, endnu mens vi taler, udstedte LaRouche Political Action Committee (LPAC) en nøderklæring for et par uger siden [17. sept.], med titlen, **»Det Nye Silkevejsparadigmes fjende: Saudisk folkemord i Yemen«** [dansk, 12. sept.; en senere EIR-opdatering, 17. sept. kan læses her, engelsk].

Indledningen lyder som følger:

»Nye afsløringer om Saudi-Arabiens rolle i 11. september-angrebene mod USA udgør påbuddet: Det igangværende saudiske folkemord mod Yemen må stoppe; de saudiskrelaterede netværk, der udfører sådanne forbrydelser imod menneskeheden, må overvindes. At handle på dette lægger vejen helt åben for hele verden, inklusive Mellemøsten, til at deltage i den Nye Silkevejs – Bælte & Vej Initiativets – fremstød for udvikling, som er den nødvendige proces for »fred gennem udvikling«, som behøves for at gøre en ende på evindeligt krigsførelse i området.

Det, der blandt andet kræves, er skabelsen af en kommission til undersøgelse af Saudi-Arabiens handlinger imod Yemen. ...

** Stands al udefra kommende indblanding i Yemen for at gøre det muligt at vende tilbage til den forhandlingsproces, der eksisterede, før bombeangrebene begyndte, og gå frem mod en løsning af nationale uoverensstemmelser.*

** Levering af omgående mad, vand, sanitet, medicin, energi, sundhedsydelser og anden social nødhjælp, fuldt og helt.*

** Levering af al anden humanitær og økonomisk hjælp, der er*

presserende nødvendig, især til transport, husly og logistik.

** Indledning af beredskab til internationalt samarbejde for at genopbygge Yemen og byde dets deltagelse i udviklingsfremstødet for den 'Maritime Silkevej' for Eurasien-Afrika, velkommen.«*

Erklæringen fortsætter – Endnu mens dette folkemord fortsætter,

»fortsætter UK og USA med at forsyne den saudiske 'koalition', der begår dette kriminelle overgreb, med våben«.

Siden denne erklæring blev udstedt, er der kommet et meget vigtigt initiativ fra USA's Kongres. En tværpolitisk gruppe af kongresmedlemmer har introduceret en samtidig resolution med titlen, »H.Con.Res.81«, som påbyder præsidenten, i overensstemmelse med sektion 5c af *War Powers Resolution* (fra 1973, der kontrollerer præsidentens beføjelser til at forpligte USA til en væbnet konflikt uden Kongressens samtykke, -red.), for at fjerne USA's bevæbnede styrker fra de uautoriserede fjendtligheder i republikken Yemen. Dette lovforslag har nu 22 medsponsorer, inkl. kongresmedlemmerne Walter Jones, Thomas Massey, John Conyers, Barbara Lee, Tulsi Gabbard, Keith Ellison og flere andre. Dette er en meget vigtig intervention, der møder tiltrækning i Washington. En af de ting, I kan gøre, er omgående at tage kontakt til jeres kongresmedlem; ring omgående til dem og kræve, at de bliver medsponsorer af H.Con.Res.81.

Jeg har i dag en meget særlig gæst; hr. Fouad al-Ghaffari, der er med os fra Sana'a i Yemen, Yemens hovedstad. Hr. Al-Ghaffari er en tidligere diplomat og tidligere chef for kontoret for ministeren for menneskerettigheder i Yemen, og er nu grundlægger af og formand for Yemens Rådgivningsråd for Koordinering med BRIKS.

Det er en ære at have dig med os i dag, hr. al-Ghaffari. Velkommen til larouchepac.com. For det første vil jeg gerne

spørge dig, om du kan beskrive for vore seere her, der ser dette interview, hvordan forholdene er på stedet i Sana'a, og i resten af Yemen?

Vi ved fra rapporter, at over 10.000 mennesker er blevet dræbt, og at landet konfronteres med en alvorlig humanitær krise. Hvad har virkningen af denne krig været på Yemens befolkning?

Her følger engelsk udskrift af resten af interviewet:

AL-GHAFFARI: First of all, I would like to bring you, Matthew and the LaRouche PAC team, my warmest greetings from Sana'a. These days we have been celebrating the third anniversary of the September 21st revolution, and the 55th anniversary of the September 26th revolution.

Last week, on September 21st, Mr. Saleh Al-Sammad, the President of the Supreme Political Council, made a speech in the center of Sana'a in a celebration attended and followed by millions of Yemeni citizens. In his speech he praised the position taken by the BRICS nations on Yemen in their recent Xiamen Summit in China. He also sent a message to the UN General

Assembly on the occasion of the International Day of Peace. [Shows video excerpt of Sept. 21 Sana'a speech by President Saleh, with English subtitles]

Going back to your question, the war of aggression against Yemen was preceded by different kind of wars launched against Yemen by Wall Street and the international financial institutions

such as the World Bank and the IMF. Then it was followed by the move by British Prime Minister David Cameron and President Barack

Obama, who bypassed their Parliament and Congress, to throw

their

internal failures and their hatred upon Yemen. While the operation to destroy Yemen was disguised in complex ways before,

the latter genocidal war is attempting to completely uproot Yemen's people and destroy their land. The Revolution of September 21, 2014 was launched to prevent that from succeeding.

As for the effects of this war of aggression, which is spearheaded by Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates, on the

living conditions here, they are really horrible and dark, and they surpass any human reasoning as the war has turned to the law

of the jungle. The situation is so bad, that it is becoming difficult to smile, or even remember how to smile. Sana'a, relatively speaking is better off than other cities, but it lacks

all the ingredients of life and of progress that have been prescribed by Lyndon LaRouche to the nations of the world. But that puts us on an equal-footing with other capitals that lack these same ingredients. But although Sana'a is breathing with big

difficulty, it is looking forward to a reconstruction project that would become a unique model, if the world starts to realize

the uniqueness of Yemen's geographic position.

OGDEN: As you know, the LaRouche movement has issued an emergency statement which has been circulated internationally; which is titled "Enemy of the Silk Road Paradigm: Saudi Genocide

in Yemen". This statement, as I said, has been circulated by the

LaRouche movement, including being distributed in front of the UN

General Assembly meeting and distributed to the missions

there.

Now, you met with the Foreign Minister Hisham Sharaf – who represents the popularly-approved government in Sana'a of former

President Ali Abdullah Saleh – and you delivered a copy of this

statement. What can you tell us about the content of your conversation with him, and his response to the initiative that the LaRouche Movement has taken?

AL-GHAFFARI: As you know, genocide is the mother of all crimes, and we are facing an enemy which is randomly bombarding

our cities and blockading our ports, airports, and territories.

On top of that, the enemy is falsely telling the world that it has the solution to our problem. Here, I would like to thank the

LaRouche Movement for issuing that statement. It is a reflection

of your well-recognized intellectual and moral principles that are always thinking outside the box. This feature is really human.

His Excellency the Foreign Minister Hisham Sharaf is a follower of your reports. He had sent a letter to Mrs. Helga Zepp-LaRouche in March this year on the occasion of the Women's

Day, and invited her to visit Yemen.

On the day the LaRouche Movement's statement was released, His Excellency was meeting with the envoy of the UN Human Rights

Commission. And just before the arrival of the with the new chargé d'affaires of Russia, His Excellency asked me to come to

his office to inform me of his appreciation of the calls in the

statement, the first on stopping the Saudi-led aggression, and

the second on moving towards the reconstruction process along the lines of the New Silk Road. At that meeting I also presented to him the Chinese Foreign Ministry's Policy Paper on the Arab World, because that document, I believe, includes the correct policy to be followed by the governments of the region. In the next days, the Minister was following the campaign of your movement on the streets of the many nations. Therefore, he immediately sent a letter of appreciation to Mrs. LaRouche and the entire international LaRouche Movement, assuring them that Yemen is planning to become an active component in the vision and the steps of building the New Silk Road to establish world peace. He also said that Yemen will be a key global partner to accomplish the UN Sustainable Development Goals 2030.

OGDEN: This meeting that you just told us about was covered in the press; they covered the meeting that you held with Minister Sharaf, and the press coverage featured the role of Lyndon and Helga LaRouche. The article in the {Sana'a News} was titled "Foreign Minister Receives the Statement of the LaRouche Movement Concerning Yemen and Calling for Stopping the Aggression." How well known are Lyndon and Helga LaRouche in Yemen?

AL-GHAFFARI: Both my first meeting with the Minister and the letter His Excellency sent to Mrs. LaRouche were widely covered in the Yemeni media. For your question about the LaRouches, this makes me smile, because Mr. Lyndon LaRouche has been known in Yemen for many years by both the elites and the laymen. As for Mrs. LaRouche,

I guess I was the first to circulate her name among the elites, but most importantly among the middle class which means the intellectuals. As we say in Yemen, "he who does not appreciate other humans does not appreciate the Creator." I therefore would like to say that [Arabic {EIR} editor] Mr. Hussein Askary has made the biggest effort and carried the greatest burden to make the ideas and visions of Mr. LaRouche accessible to the people in Yemen. The issue was not "do you know LaRouche?" or "have you heard about him?" The issue is what he is saying in reality, not what Google says about him. The translation of the {EIR} report "The New Silk Road Becomes the World Land-Bridge" into Arabic, which was done by Mr. Askary, will be the talk of people in Yemen for generations to come.

OGDEN: We certainly hope so.

In your view, what is the geopolitical purpose of this war of aggression being waged against your people, there in Yemen by the Saudis? Were this criminal war to be ended, how could things change there, on the ground in Yemen? What could changes in terms of the conditions of life? And most of all, what is the role Yemen could play in the overall New Silk Road?

AL-GHAFFARI: Geopolitically, the enemy wants to create a breeding ground for terrorism to threaten the world with, and to

pay the financial debts of the evil empire. They also want to pull Yemen away from the New Silk Road, and thus to destroy the

New Silk Road itself and the aspirations for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals 2030, which were approved by the nations of the world.

What Yemen can present to the world is a unique opportunity to establish a true national credit bank, because the governing

alliance here has the power and authority to make this decision.

This could become, without any doubt, Yemen's ticket to join the

train of the BRICS nations.

Another reason for this war is that Yemen could become a strong regional guardian of the New Silk Road in all its three routes: land, sea and space. The brains and arms of Yemen's brave

soldiers, combined with modern technology can assure that.

But, in order to turn this situation around, Yemen must fully join the New Silk Road, and build its own foundations and

structures on its principles and visions. This will give us credibility in the eyes of our international friends, who will see that we are as serious as the other nations that have been admitted to this project. There is no luxury in this issue.

Yemen's need for the elements of the New Silk Road project is as

greater as Yemen's need for air to breathe, if we really realized

the dignity and happiness this Silk Road carries within it.

OGDEN: Yes, absolutely. And we really admire the courageous actions you have taken there.

Finally, I would just like to say, that the American people have no idea currently what crimes are being perpetrated there in

Yemen, and the American people have to know that our government and implicitly, we, ourselves, are complicit in this genocide, due to our support for the Saudis, through arms sales and our political alliance with that regime. As you know, there have been efforts on the parts of numerous members of Congress to bring a halt to these arms sales, and also as we mentioned earlier in the show, the House Concurrent Resolution 81 that has been introduced, to withdraw the U.S. involvement in this war. And there's even been efforts to bring attention to the Saudi royal family's role in financing the 9/11 attacks. There are currently lawsuits that are being litigated by members of the families of the 9/11 victims. Let me ask you: What would you say to the American people, now that you've had a chance to show them what the conditions are on the ground there in Yemen, and what the effects are that our policy is having on the people of Yemen? What should American citizens do to an end to this atrocity?

AL-GHAFFARI: We, the BRICS Youth in Yemen, would like to thank those Congressmen who are our partners in humanity and development. Yemen today is paying the bill of the 9/11 terrorist attacks. We announce our solidarity with the families of the victims of the 9/11 attacks. We feel that we and the American people are in the same side, because their conditions are not pleasing, as their politicians are more interested in enslaving people around the world rather than solving the crises in Texas, Florida, and the New York subways. All these policies, that are

crimes indeed, are due to the fact that the main culprit in the 9/11 attacks, the Saudis, have escaped the deserved punishment until now.

Our advice to the American people is: Follow the wise words of Lyndon LaRouche and join his movement!

LarouchePAC: Well, thank you so much for that advice, and thank you so much for joining me here, today. It was such a pleasure, and a privilege for me to have had a chance to speak with you, and it was truly an honor.

I would like to thank all of our viewers, who had the opportunity to watch this extraordinary interview just now. Thank you for tuning in. And again, you can take action to stop this atrocity right now, by calling your member of Congress, and

demanding that they cosponsor this resolution, House Concurrent

Resolution 81, – H.Con.Res.81. And you can also help us distribute this emergency statement which was issued by LaRouche

PAC. The link to that statement in the description to this webcast immediately below

[<https://larouchepac.com/20170916/enemy-new-silk-road-paradigm-saudi-genocide-Yemen>]

So thank you, once again, to Fouad Al-Ghaffari for joining us here today, and thank you for tuning in. Please stay tuned to larouchepac.com.

AL-GHAFFARI: Thanks to you, Matthew, and regards to Jason and all. We'll see you very soon.