

Den Nye Silkevej – den presserende nødvendige modgift mod global krig. LaRouchePAC Internationale Webcast, 18. maj, 2018

Som I ser, så er titlen på aftenens udsendelse, "Den Nye Silkevej – Den presserende nødvendige modgift mod global krig". Dette er noget, Helga Zepp-LaRouche har understreget i løbet af de seneste par uger; at den eneste nøgle til krisen, som vi nu ser, konfronterer os over hele planeten, er omgående at gennemføre den Nye Silkevej. Initiativet for ét Bælte, én Vej, som Kina har indledt, og som indkapsler "win-win"-paradigmet, som er modgiften mod geopolitikker, der kun kan føre til krig.

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THE NEW SILK ROAD: THE URGENT ANTIDOTE TO GLOBAL WAR

MATTHEW OGDEN: Good afternoon! It's May 18, 2018. My name is Matthew Ogden, and you're joining us for our Friday evening strategic overview from larouchepac.com. As you can see, the title of our show here today is "The New Silk Road: The Urgent Antidote to Global War". This is something which Helga Zepp-LaRouche has been emphasizing over the last several weeks.

That the only key to the crises that we now see facing us across

the planet is by immediately applying the New Silk Road. The One

Belt, One Road initiative which China has started and which

encapsulates the “win-win” paradigm which is the antidote to geopolitics, which can only lead to war.

Now, while there are many very positive developments afoot, in this regard, emphatically the situation on the Korean Peninsula; we are by no means in safe waters. We are less than a month away from the scheduled President Trump/Kim Jong-un summit, which will be held in Singapore. But a month is a very long time, and all sorts of mischief can occur between now and then.

We saw a vivid example just this week, which demonstrates that even within President Trump’s inner circle, there are individuals who are still seeking to derail his efforts towards peace.

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Bolton, one of the leading war-mongers inside this administration, went on the Sunday talk shows this past weekend,

and said the very last thing that Kim Jong-un would want to hear

if you were Kim Jong-un. He said that the model to be used in North Korea for denuclearization is the Libyan model.

Now, we know that in the early 2000s, Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi voluntarily negotiated an end to his country’s covert nuclear weapons program, and other weapons of mass destruction programs in a bid to “come in from the cold” as they say, and join the international community of nations. Well, what did that

get him? It got him a Western-backed insurgency which overthrew

his government and eventually cost him his life in a very brutal

murder that occurred outside of Sirte. That is exactly what Kim

Jong-un is afraid of, and his regime has made very clear that they have viewed their weapons program as the guard, the

defense

against that kind of regime-change treatment. It was only through promises that there would be no regime change that the situation has even advanced to this point.

President Trump did come out and contradict John Bolton in a discussion with reporters yesterday, after a meeting between himself and NATO Secretary Stoltenberg. Trump said the Libya model is not what he has in mind for North Korea; although he did

turn around and use the opportunity to threaten Kim Jong-un again

if he doesn't make a deal. Threaten him with Qaddafi treatment

in no less words. But, this is what he said, and we can read into it what we will. What President Trump had to say to reporters is the following: "Well, the Libyan model isn't a model that we have at all, when we're thinking of North Korea. In Libya, we decimated that country. That country was decimated!

There was no deal to keep Qaddafi. The Libyan model that was mentioned was a much different deal. This would be with Kim Jong-un something where he'd be there; he'd be in his country. He'd be running his country. His country would be very rich; his

people are tremendously industrious. If you look at South Korea,

this would be really a South Korean model in terms of their industry, in terms of what they do. They're hard-working, incredible people.

"But the Libyan model was a much different model. We decimated that country! We went in and decimated him, and we did

the same thing with Iraq. But the model, if you look at that model with Qaddafi, that was a total decimation. We went in there to beat him. Now, that model would take place, if we don't

make a deal, most likely. But if we make a deal, I think Kim

Jong-un is going to be very, very happy. I believe, I really believe he's going to be very happy." So, that was President Trump in remarks to reporters yesterday.

Now the framework for creating prosperity on the Korean Peninsula as Trump said, "harnessing the industriousness of the people of North Korea," and producing something equivalent to the

model of what we've seen in terms of the tremendous economic success in South Korea with their industry. The framework for such an economic miracle in South Korea was actually, in effect,

an application of some aspects of the American System of Alexander Hamilton, translated through the works of Friedrich List and others. That's been discussed elsewhere on this program, but the framework for applying that sort of economic miracle to North Korea would be the new economic map for the Korean Peninsula. What you see here [Fig. 1] is exactly what Moon Jae-in gave to Kim Jong-un on a thumb drive during their recent meeting in the Demilitarized Zone. As you can see, this

model, this economic map for the Korean Peninsula would really be

connecting the entire Korean Peninsula into the New Silk Road. It's this sort of H-shaped configuration where you can see North

Korea connected on the left side to China; and then on the other

side into Russia, connecting North Korea into mainland China in

terms of rail development and also other trade routes. But also

connecting North Korea into the trans-Siberian railroad in Russia. You would see internal development across the Korean Peninsula, developing the interior of the Korean Peninsula.

Then

you would see connected down, across the 38th parallel there,

into South Korea, on the one hand connected to the Maritime Silk

Road with the ports coming off the southern tip of South Korea.

Then on the other hand, bringing Japan into the entire mix, which

even be an incentive for Japan to develop the long-discussed Japan-Korea tunnel or bridge.

So, this kind of configuration is an idea of bringing the entirety of the Korean Peninsula into this New Silk Road. It would connect both Russia and China into this region, and it would act as a bridge. North Korea would have the opportunity to

act as a crucial bridge connecting South Korea and Japan into the

rest of Eurasia, and acting as a crucial hub for the New Silk Road. This is something that the LaRouche movement has discussed

for decades, and it's something that has been on the table and now is proving to be the key to actually bringing Kim Jong-un to

the negotiating table and providing the basis for a durable and

sustainable peace in that region.

This is emphatically the model that we need in the so-called Middle East, Southwest Asia. These nations where you seem to have intractable conflict; where there is no solution in terms of

the situation on the ground. You need to have something which comes in in a global context and creates this kind of connectivity in this region, where all the parties have a common

interest in embracing this sort of peace through economic development. This would be bringing the New Silk Road into the Middle East.

Now what we're seeing in this area of the world is a renewed

danger of war, which is set to explode. Not just a regional war, not just a war between different powers in that region, but one which would very quickly threaten to become a global war. Dragging parties across the world into this sort of war, exactly in the way that it was described in the lead-up to World War I; where all of the alliances would force parties to sort of sleepwalk into such a global war. The atrocities that were committed on Monday, during the protests that occurred in Gaza, where dozens of people were killed, and almost 2000 people were wounded; these atrocities have caused widespread outrage across the world, including here in the United States, notably. A statement was released by 13 US Senators – all of whom are Democrats, including Senator Bernie Sanders, Senator Elizabeth Warren, Senator Diane Feinstein, Senator Ed Markey, and numerous others – calling for urgent action in addressing the crisis in the Gaza Strip. Both the humanitarian crisis, but also the urgent lack of economic development. Here's an image [Fig. 2] of the letter which they sent to Secretary [of State] Pompeo. You can see in this open letter what they say is the following: "Dear Secretary Pompeo, "We write to urge the administration to do more to alleviate the ongoing humanitarian crisis in the Gaza Strip. The territory's lack of power, clean water, adequate medical care, and other necessities not only exacerbates the hardships faced by Gaza's population, but redounds to the benefit of extremist groups who use this depravation and despair to incite violence

against Israel. The United States should also encourage the easing of restrictions on the movement of people, goods, and equipment in and out of the territory, especially for materials

and supplies related to critical infrastructure such as water projects, and health essentials such as medicines and hospital supplies. Multiple parties should also be engaged to insure greater electricity flow into Gaza to meet the territory's desperate need for energy.

"The United States should also put its weight behind proposals to build Gaza's economy through bold initiatives, such

as the proposed Gaza sea port. The new port facility could boost

Gaza's economy by vastly improving the territory's access to goods and markets worldwide. The political and security challenges in Gaza are formidable, but support for the basic human rights of its people must not be conditioned on progress on

those fronts. For the sake of Israelis and Palestinians alike,

the United States must act urgently to help relieve the humanitarian crisis in the Gaza Strip."

So, while that statement may be limited in its particulars, I think it's very significant that this appeal includes a demand

for economic development as a pathway to alleviating the humanitarian crisis in the Gaza Strip. But also, to creating the

basis for real peace; a peace which would benefit the Israelis and the Palestinians alike.

As Helga LaRouche and Lyndon LaRouche have repeatedly emphasized, nothing can be done locally to secure peace in this

region. But rather, this region must be understood in a global

context; both in a negative sense as a playground geopolitics

in

a new Great Game where geopolitical interests have sought to divide this region and to keep it at war against itself; but also

from a positive standpoint, where you understand that peace is only possible through collaboration of the great powers. A great

powers alliance between the United States, Russia – which plays

a very large role in this region with its allies – and also China. China which has the New Silk Road as the key, which would

be the key to developing this region. If these three great powers would be able to collaborate to bring the New Silk Road to

this region, it could be transformed from a crucible for war to a

new crossroads of civilization.

Helga Zepp-LaRouche addressed this in detail in her international webcast this week. I would like to play just an excerpt from one of her statements during that webcast, where you

can see that she goes right at the core of the issue. That the

only way you're going to resolve this crisis in Southwest Asia,

is by bringing the New Silk Road Spirit to bear and using the pathway of peace through economic development. So, here's what

Helga Zepp-LaRouche had to say. [Technical difficulties playing

video.] We apologize for that technical error. The gist of what

Helga LaRouche got at in this statement, was that you have an atrocity which was committed, but by no means is this to be seen as

limited to the parties in this region. What you have to

understand is that there is a long history in which this region has been at war. There have been several potentials for peace agreements. Most significantly was Lyndon LaRouche's proposal going back to the 1970s, but very crucially revived in the 1990s as we reviewed during our show here on Monday afternoon. This was the idea of an Oasis Plan for Peace, where you would have all the parties in this region would be guaranteed their own security, but also would be guaranteed the benefits of the economic development which this Oasis Plan would provide. Helga Zepp-LaRouche, during this clip, which unfortunately we're not able to play for you, brought up the way that Mr. LaRouche has always posed the crisis in this region. That you have to not have a myopic view of this region, but you have to zoom out and see this region in the big picture in terms of the historic crossroads of civilization and the cradle of civilization going back thousands and thousands of years; but also currently as this sort of playground for a new Great Game, where you have British imperial interests and others carving up the region and playing one ethnic group against another in order to ensure that this region does not become a positive cradle for the dialogue between these civilizations and a crossroads between Europe, Asia, and Africa. Lyndon LaRouche delivered a speech at Connecticut State University, which is a state school in Connecticut, in May of 2009, which he titled "Only Dismantling the Empire Can Stop the War Today". Here, you can see, this is the cover [Fig. 3] of the {Executive Intelligence Review}

magazine which contained the text of that speech. But let me just read you a few excerpts of what Lyndon LaRouche had to say,

and I think you'll see that he gets directly at this question of

placing this region in a global context. So, Mr. LaRouche said

the following:

"I shall suggest it is an error to talk a Middle East policy. Instead of talking about a conflict in the so-called Middle East, we should talk about the Middle East as conflict that is largely global. Because the conflict is not determined

by the Israelis or Arabs. It's determined by international forces which look at this region. How? As a crossover point between the Mediterranean and the Indian Ocean, the relationship

of Europe to Asia, the relationship of Europe to East Africa, and

so forth.

"Therefore, what you're seeing is that.

"We get so involved in the issues of the Middle East that we can never solve them. The way we're playing it, we'll never solve them.

"There is a solution, a solution in principle. And the solution is, end this blasted imperialist system!...

"But don't believe that's there's some solution for the Israeli-Arab conflict per se. There is no solution in that, per

se. That's why I said at the beginning here: Don't look at the

history of the Middle East; look at the Middle East in history.

There, you find the solution.

"Because it's being played! The whole region. It's being played like a puppet.

“So now we’re in a situation where we have to change our monetary system. We could reorganize our monetary system and the world monetary system. We can cooperate with Russia, with China, India, and other countries”.

“So, how do you do this? Well, we have a system. We call it the American System, defined by Hamilton. We can shift the world economy from being a monetary economy to being a credit system, as specified by Alexander Hamilton”. “We go to a credit system: We can organize credit agreements like treaty agreements with Russia, China, India, and other countries”. “We have to move, therefore, from thinking about conflict among nations and regions, to the alternative to conflict. By finding that which unites us through our common purpose as independent nations rather than seeking resolution of a conflict we are now enjoying among ourselves. That’s the only chance we have. And when you look at the possibilities for this region, like Southwest Asia, the only chance will come {not} from inside Southwest Asia. We will do, and must do, what we can, for that area, to try to stop the bloodshed, the agony, to prevent the war. But we will not succeed until we change the history, change the world in which this region is contained. “And that’s my mission. Thank you.”

Now, that speech was delivered in 2009, well before Xi Jinping announced the New Silk Road, the One Belt, One Road Initiative. But looking at this idea of changing the world within which this region is situated, that is the attitude that Lyndon LaRouche has always had. That you needed to create a new

international system, a system which he discussed there in credit terms, monetary terms. A Hamiltonian credit system, where you can have credit for infrastructure development, credit agreements among sovereign nations. He also discussed it in terms of a revived treaty of Westphalia; where you don't try to resolve conflicts between countries in terms of the conflicts per se. But you resolve these conflicts by saying what do our nations, as sovereign nations, have in common, and what can we do to benefit the other.

Helga Zepp-LaRouche took this question up again in her webcast this week, and the following clip I believe should function. And you'll hear Helga Zepp-LaRouche discuss the specific projects which are necessary to connect this region of Southwest Asia into the movement for great project development which is now sweeping the globe in the form of the One Belt, One Road Initiative. So, here's what Helga LaRouche had to say:

HELGA ZEPP-LAROUCHE

: Now, what you need, is, if you have a very complex situation like that – and obviously, the many things which have happened, the terrorisms, many wars – emotions are hurt, people have an incredible accumulated rage: You need something big, and the only way how you could get it, is if you had all the neighbors, Russia, China, India, Iran, Egypt, the United States, and hopefully European nations all agreeing that the only way how this can be solved, is, you have to have the extension of the New Silk Road into the region and develop every country as part of one, integrated, industrial

infrastructure development program.

There are already the beginnings of that. When President Xi Jinping was three years ago in Iran, he agreed already with President Rouhani at the time, that the New Silk Road would be extended into Iran. You had the Afghanistan President demanding

that the New Silk Road should be applied in Afghanistan. And at

the recent Wuhan meeting of President Xi Jinping and India's Prime Minister Modi, they agreed that China and India would cooperate in bringing the Silk Road into Afghanistan, by building, as a first step, a large train connection between Afghanistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, Iran, China, and that way start to connect Afghanistan to the Silk Road.

That same approach must be taken for Iraq, for Syria, for the situation in Yemen, and naturally Egypt will have to play a

very important role as a bridge between Asia and Africa. I think

Egypt is absolutely thinking in this direction, already. And however, naturally, these are gigantic projects and they cannot

be done by any one country alone; even if China has a special envoy for Syria, they have said they want to play a leading role

in the reconstruction of Syria. You have the earlier commitment

of Russia to supply energy, of Iran to help in the industrial development. But that needs to be presented as a comprehensive proposal.

And I'm sure that there are people in Israel, as well, who will not agree with the present course of Netanyahu – who, by the way, faces his own problems and may look into not such a bright future for his own political career. But there are people

in Israel who agree, that you need to come out of this

terrible
paradigm of the present configuration. And if there would be
an
agreement, between Trump, Xi Jinping, Putin, and Modi, and
then
other leaders joining with them, to go in this direction, even
this very difficult situation of Southwest Asia could be
approached and a solution could be found. But it does require
an
extraordinary intervention.

OGDEN: So that kind of extraordinary intervention as Helga
LaRouche just described there, must come in the form of
bringing
the Silk Road to bear in this region. On Monday, we featured
an
extensive clip from a LaRouche PAC video which was produced
two
years ago, which was called "Operation Phoenix", which
discussed
how to rebuild Syria, but in a broader context, how to bring
this
entire region of Southwest Asia into the New Silk Road. If we
look at this map [Fig. 4] on the screen here, just as we saw
the
map of the new economic map of the Korean Peninsula, where you
could see North Korea being connected into China, Russia, the
New
Silk Road, and being used as a crucial bridge, a hub in that
New
Silk Road route; now we can see the same thing here in
Southwest
Asia. As you can see outline, is coming in from Eurasia, a
route
of the New Silk Road which could originate in South Korea and
come up through North Korea and plug into three of the main
channels of the New Silk Road across Eurasia. But this one

would
come in and would arrive in Tehran in Iran. You see that
there
would be extensions going both south and north. South to the
Gulf region, and then north up to the northern route going up
to
the Caucuses and ultimately towards Russia, Scandinavia, and
the
Arctic. But then coming out of Tehran to the east, you would
have two different routes. One would be the route which
continue
on through Turkey and then across the straits into Europe.
But
then the other one would go southeast into Iraq, connecting
into
Baghdad; where you would have a connection along the Tigris
and
Euphrates Rivers down to the Persian Gulf in the southwest.
But
then proceeding upwards through the devastated regions of
Syria
which have been liberated, and then to Aleppo, across to the
Mediterranean Sea at Latakia; and then a route proceeding
southward towards the Red Sea – the famous Med-Red connection
–
and then into Egypt and then further into the rest of Africa.
So, with this image in mind, you can see that this region
would be a crucial crossroads of civilization and is the
crucial
connection between these three great continents – Europe,
Asia,
and Africa. This is the reason that this region has been
subjected to endless wars in this kind of geopolitical Great
Game, in order to interrupt the potential for this sort of
development. But this development perspective is the only
means
by which you can resolve these conflicts. Not in the terms of

the conflicts themselves per se, but in terms of creating a new zone of mutually beneficial cooperation among all the parties involved. That kind of economic development can take place if you have the sort of great powers arrangement among the four powers – Russia, China, India, and the United States. This is the core of what we continue to campaign for here in the United States. We must defeat this coup against President Trump. We are now one year into what President Trump has characterized as the Mueller witch hunt. Nothing has been found so far in terms of collusion. This attempted to coup to undermine President Trump is not aimed at Trump personally; it is rather aimed at Trump's inclinations towards just such a great powers relationship. The second pledge in this Campaign to Win the Future is that the United States should emphatically, wholeheartedly endorse and join China's One Belt, One Road Initiative. This is for both the benefit of the planet, this One Belt, One Road Initiative as we discuss here, is the key towards unlocking these conflicts around the globe; but it's also to the benefit of the United States itself. Extending this kind of great projects development perspective into the United States, with a Hamiltonian principle – what Lyndon LaRouche discusses in the Four Economic Laws; this is the agenda of LaRouche PAC here in the United States. As you can see on the back cover of this pamphlet [Fig. 5], this is the map of the World Land-Bridge. One of the crucial aspects of this map is a new Marshall Plan for a New Silk Road to rebuild the Middle East. So, this has to continue to be kept

first and foremost in view, when we're looking at how to resolve this crisis and how to prevent just such a regional crisis from exploding into a global war. As you can see here, LaRouche PAC's "2018 Campaign to Secure the Future" is available on the LaRouche PAC website if you visit action.larouchepac.com. We encourage you to become involved; to volunteer; and to help us circulate this pamphlet as widely as we can. Thank you very much for joining us here on larouchepac.com. The world is moving very quickly, and we encourage you to stay tuned and to visit larouchepac.com regularly. Thank you for tuning in, and please stay tuned.