I. Our Eurasian Future

A Community of Mankind's Shared Future: Strategic Perspective of China to 2050

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Lyndon LaRouche was a featured speaker at an RAS conference in 2003 on "China in the 21st Century: Chances and Challenges of Globalization." That

conference was the 14th International Conference on "China, Chinese Civilization and the World: Past, Present and Future."

Oct. 26—The big question which should concern all thinking human beings on this planet, is essentially the same as that which was hotly debated in the young American republic as reported in the *Federalist Papers*, "Is human society capable of an efficient form of self-government?" Only this time it is not a question for just one nation; it concerns all of humanity and the need for a new paradigm in the world order.

Tensions in a world plagued by multiple crises seem to be increasing towards a breaking point: the danger of a new—this time systemic—financial crash of the transatlantic financial system, an unprecedented polarization



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inside the United States around the ongoing coup attempt against the President of the United States, false-flag operations, Goebbelslike deception operations against entire populations, drug epidemics which are a new form of Opium Wars, the global migration crisis, terrorism and Nazism, an increase of centrifugal forces in the European Union, the re-emergence of aggressive, geopolitically motivated efforts to defend an order that no longer exists—just to list some of the challenges. The world is in disorder.

In light of such a complex and seemingly completely dis-

united world, how realistic then is the perspective laid out at the 19th National Congress of the CPC by Chinese President Xi Jinping, where he defined the goal for China to become a "strong, democratic, culturally advanced, harmonious, and beautiful," fully modernized country by the year 2050, and even spoke at some point of the building of a "beautiful world" for all nations to participate in?

If one looks at the crises and challenges listed above as unrelated individual problems, one ends up in a "bad infinity," where the solution to many of them seems impossible. But if one recognizes that all of these problems have common threads, in that they are the derivatives of the old paradigm of an epoch going under, one can find the solution by being informed by the principles of the new epoch.

Two Game-Changing Pathways

There are two "game-changing" topics, which in the near future, create totally opposite pathways for mankind. The first one concerns the monumental battle being fought out now in the United States. The coup attempt against President Trump may be successful and he is driven out of office one way or the other. Or, if the collusion of the heads of intelligence agencies of the Obama administration with the British intelligence services (GCHQ and MI6) in orchestrating "Russiagate"

against Trump—to prevent him from realizing his intention to put the relationship between the United States and Russia on a good basis—will lead to the criminal prosecution of the perpetrators.

Were the Democrats to win the House of Representatives in the midterm elections, they will try to bury the ongoing investigations in the Congress, and the con-

frontationist policies we have seen in the sanctions against Russia, the trade war against China, and the recent speech by Vice President Pence, will be escalated instantly. If Trump can consolidate his position, despite the many hawkish tones coming from the United States now, there does exist the potential that he will be able, in the second half of his first term, to improve relations with Russia and return to his initial positive attitude towards China.

The second, related game-changing issue is whether we fall into the "Thucydides Trap" or escape it. Let us look at a perspective to overcome the Thucydides Trap, the apparent conflict between the power dominating the world up to now, the United States, and the rising power, China, by defining a solution which goes way beyond the bilateral situation of the two, and which addresses the existential dangers for all nations, thus shifting the level of discussion and thinking to a higher plateau.



Helga Zepp-LaRouche at the 23rd International Academic Conference of the Russian Academy of Sciences Institute of Far Eastern Studies, Moscow, Russia, Oct. 24, 2018.

A New Bretton Woods Monetary System

My husband Lyndon LaRouche's proposal of several years ago is still valid: The four most powerful nations in the world—the United States, Russia, China and India—supported by other nations, Japan, South Korea and others—must set up in the short term a New Bretton Woods system to avoid the potentially devas-

> tating consequences of an uncontrolled financial collapse. This new international credit system must correct the flaws of the old Bretton Woods system, which was not realized as President Franklin Delano Roosevelt intended. but was corrupted by the influence of Churchill and Truman. It must guarantee the unconditional sovereignty of each and all nation-states participating in it, and it must promote their unlimited opportunities to participate in



White House

Vice President Mike Pence slams China at the Hudson Institute in Washington, D.C. on Oct. 14, 2018.

the benefits of scientific and technological progress to the mutual benefit of each and all.

This New Bretton Woods system must have as its most important feature a profound change in the monetary, economic and political relations among the dominant powers and the so-called developing nations. Unless the inequities lingering in the aftermath of modern colonialism are progressively remedied, neither can there be peace, nor can such challenges as the migration crisis or terrorism be overcome.

The Belt and Road Initiative

The basic conception for such a new credit and economic system already exists in principle in the Belt and Road policy of President Xi Jinping. In the five years of its existence it has created an unprecedented dynamic of hope and optimism among the approximately 100 countries participating in it and, given its rate of progress in such a short time, it is obvious that the goal defined by President Xi Jinping of a "beautiful world" by 2050 for all of humanity is absolutely achievable.

The new set of international relations required for the New Paradigm is already in the process of being built. The increasing integration of the Belt and Road Initiative, the Shanghai Cooperation Organization, the Eurasian Economic Union, and the Global South organizations, is progressing successfully and is already creating completely new strategic alliances for the

mutual benefit of all participating in them. The "Spirit of the New Silk Road" has caught on in most countries of Asia and Latin America, and is providing the gift of hope, for the first time in centuries, to Africa, which President Xi has called the continent with the greatest development potential.

President Putin has promised in this context to "light up" the continent of Africa by providing it

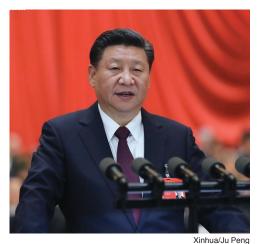
with nuclear technology. Many are now speaking of "Africa, the new China with African characteristics"! And despite the reluctance of the European Union and the present Berlin government, there is an increasing number of people in Europe who want their nations to be fully integrated into the New Silk Road, as shown in the 16+1 group [16 Central and Eastern European Countries plus China], as well as in Spain, Portugal, Switzerland, Netherlands, Belgium, and especially Austria and Italy.

The biggest, and unavoidable challenge, however, will be to find a solution which includes the United States. Given the level of militarization of the United States, both in terms of its armed forces as well as the arming of the population domestically, the chance, that

the United States might disintegrate or accept being excluded from an alternative world system, as peacefully as it happened with the end of the Soviet Union is probably tending towards zero. The military policy of President Putin, announced on March 1, regarding Russian military science and the strategic alliance between Russia and China, shows Russian and Chinese clarity on this. So, if the Thucydides Trap is to be avoided, there has to be a design of a solution which integrates the United States in a higher order of organization of the world order.

A Community of Shared Future for Mankind

The common political platform offered must be conceptualized from the standpoint of what Nikolaus Kusansky [Nicholas of Cusa] defined as a completely new form of thinking, his famous *coincidentia opposi*-



Chinese President Xi Jinping.



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Russian President Vladimir Putin.

torum, the One, which has a higher order of reality than the Many. This is already implicit in President Xi Jinping's conception of the "shared community for the common future of Mankind."

Rather than approaching the question of the new set of relations among the nations of the world from the standpoint of proceeding from the status quo, the vision of the human species growing into adulthood in 50 or 100 years from now must include a set of concrete policy cooperation proposals. By that time, according to the scientific theory of Vladimir Vernadsky, the Noösphere will have advanced its dominance over the Biosphere qualitatively and new generations of scientists and classical artists will communicate with each other based on the search for new physical and artistic principles.



Courtesy of Krafft Ehricke

Rocket scientist and space pioneer Krafft Ehricke (left) shows his design of an orbital hospital to CBS-TV anchorman Walter Cronkite, Sept. 26, 1966.

As the German rocket scientist and space visionary Krafft Ehricke elaborated, the extension of infrastructure into first nearby space—as a precondition for interstellar space travel—is the necessary next level of the evolution of the human species. As the collaboration on

the International Space Station and as the eye-opening findings of the Hubble Space Telescope have demonstrated, the emphasis on Mankind as a space-faring species completely changes the sense of identity of all astronauts, engineers and scientists involved. It has also completely replaced the notion that we are living in an Earth-bound system—where opposing geopolitical interests have to quarrel about limited resources-with the idea that mankind has just begun to

take the very first baby steps into a universe in which there are an estimated two trillion galaxies.

The Chinese space program will soon provide another unprecedented game-changer by leading the world into a new scientific and industrial revolution. The ongoing Chang'e lunar missions include an ambitious program to bring back helium-3 from the Moon as fuel for controlled thermonuclear fusion on Earth. Once the human species can control thermonuclear fusion, we will have energy and raw materials security for the all Humankind for the foreseeable future.

Going in the same direction, the Chandrayaan-2 mission of the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) will analyze the lunar crust for traces of water and helium-3. President Trump declared manned space travel, the return to the Moon, and missions to Mars and "worlds far away," to be a national mission again. These, and related missions by the other space-faring nations, will not only benefit the countries involved, but all of Mankind.

Space science will transform every aspect of life on Earth, as the same general technologies and approaches to create habitable conditions in "wastelands" on the Earth, as with Umka, the Russian city planned for the Arctic, will be used

to create villages on the Moon. Space technology will completely revolutionize the access to advanced medical care everywhere on Earth. Agriculture will benefit from many aspects of space research. The combination of a fusion economy and the industrialization of the

> Moon, as the next steps in an unlimited process of Mankind's continued mastery of the laws of the universe, will mean an entirely new economic platform in the sense defined by Lyndon LaRouche.

> If the many human beings in distress in the world—be it fleeing as a refugee from the scourges of poverty and war, or seeing society falling apart with an increase of violence. alcoholism, drug abuse or depression, or any other expression of desperation—can be

Indian Space Research Organization brought to know about the immediate potentials for a breakthrough to a new era of Mankind, the New Silk Road Spirit will catch on and become the beacon of hope for all.

Such an ordering principle for our disunited world of today can become the basis for joint leadership by the presidents of China, Russia, India and the United States.



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