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## EDITORIAL

**Cancel 'Earth Day'! The World Needs a 'Mars Day' Instead**

April 1 (EIRNS)—President Joe Biden has invited forty heads of state to attend a virtual summit hosted by Washington on April 22-23, to celebrate Earth Day by ringing in a new era of global Green deindustrialization and depopulation under the guise of achieving “zero carbon emissions”—whatever that is supposed to mean—by 2050.

It can't be done, and it is not going to work. Already one of India's top climate-change experts and Member of the PM's Council on Climate Change, Chandrashekar Dasgupta, has stated that India should pay lip service to the global goals, but absolutely cannot be bound by them in their own country, because they are a developing nation that must grow or perish.

The same holds for Biden's \$2.2 trillion “infrastructure and jobs bill,” which the *Washington Post* today confided has little to do with infrastructure, and everything to do with imposing a dramatic downshift of the energy technological platform, designed to bring about a new medieval era of solar and wind energy. “The linchpin of Biden's plan ... is the creation of a national standard requiring utilities to use a specific amount of solar, wind and other renewable energy.” This, the *Post* chuckles, “would amount to the most sweeping federal intervention in the electricity sector in generations.”

But that also can't be done, and it's not going to work. Already the spokesman for Edison Electric Institute, the power sector's biggest trade association, stated that they will be glad to “review any proposed clean energy standard closely,” but they will not agree to this undermining the “affordability and reliability our customers value.” You can expect all sorts of manufacturing, trade union, and other professional and business groups to oppose the Green New Deal, as it becomes obvious that it means

returning the United States to medieval technologies, and associated medieval levels of population.

The LaRouche Organization's newly-released pamphlet "The Great Leap Backward: LaRouche Crushes the 'Green New Deal' Fraud," reveals in detail the nightmare that the adoption of such policies would unleash. But, crucially, it also presents what none of the other critics know how to address: the substantive global solutions to the breakdown crisis, as American economist and statesman Lyndon LaRouche and his associates have detailed them over decades. All of these programmatic proposals hinge on the United States joining with China's Belt and Road Initiative to cooperate on great infrastructure projects—on this planet, and beyond on the Moon, Mars, and the rest of the Solar System.

So, it would be a much better idea for Narendra Modi of India, Vladimir Putin of Russia, and Xi Jinping of China to invite Joe Biden to join them in a summit meeting of these Four Powers on the "sidelines" of the April 22-23 virtual summit. They could use the occasion to discuss the truly pressing crises facing the planet—the COVID pandemic, the economic collapse, the threat of regional and world war—and the needed solutions, including international cooperation on Mankind's next scientific and technological frontier: fusion power-driven space exploration and colonization.

That way "Earth Day" could be transformed and properly replaced by "Mars Day."

## GREAT RESET / GREEN NEW DEAL

### **Kerry Will Visit Delhi To Demand That India Declare a Net-Zero Emissions Target Date**

April 1 (EIRNS)—U.S. Special Envoy for Climate John Kerry will visit India in early April, as a run-up to the April 22-23 virtual "Leaders Summit on Climate" hosted by President Joe Biden. Kerry's April 1-9 itinerary will also include the United Arab Emirates and Bangladesh.

The Kerry visit is likely to focus on pressuring India to declare a target year, preferably 2050, for achieving net-zero emissions of greenhouse gas. But there is strong opposition within India, including prominent advisers to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, such as Chandrashekhar Dasgupta, a Member of Prime Minister's Council on Climate Change and former ambassador to China and the EU. In a March 30 interview with *Hindustan Times*, Dasgupta answered a question on what he believes would be the economic impact for India to pursue net-zero emissions target: "First, it would require us to immediately scrap all existing coal-based power plants and factories, or alternatively, retrofit them with carbon-capture and storage technology. This would entail astronomical costs at a time when the economy is already reeling from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic." He said it would also quickly derail Modi's "Aatmanirbhar Bharat" self-reliance policy: "It would necessitate an immediate switch-over to imported, existing clean energy technologies at a huge cost, denying our own industry the time required for indigenization or development of affordable indigenous technologies. Let us not forget that the U.S. lodged a complaint against us at the WTO when we took some modest measures to promote domestic manufacture of solar cells and modules.

"Third, we need to examine the trade-related implications of surrendering our principled position on 'common and differentiated responsibilities.' The European Union is set to impose levies on carbon-intensive imports, even from developing countries. It would be naive to think that the countries calling on India to adopt a 2050 net-zero target are motivated purely by altruistic concerns unrelated to commercial interests." The "common and differentiated responsibilities" refers to the argument that any global targets have to be applied in a differentiated way to developing countries, that are also trying to overcome underdevelopment.

The pressure on India is intense. Last February, The Energy and Resources Institute hosted an annual event, the World Sustainable Development Summit, in New Delhi with a focus on the climate crisis, with the presence of high-level representatives from the U.S., the U.K., and other countries, as well as the EU and the United Nations. At this virtual

summit, John Kerry did not mince his words: “We all have to adopt the notion of zero emissions.” And his finger pointed towards India when he declared that “90% of the world’s emissions come from somewhere other than our country” and “70% come from somewhere other than China.”

The pressure has been building, especially over the last six months as the Biden administration took over the White House. Some analysts claim that China’s 2060 carbon-neutrality pledge has also contributed to the pressure, as has the U.K.’s diplomatic push to ramp up climate matters ahead of COP26. COP26 is the next UN climate change conference that was rescheduled from last year, now to be held in Glasgow, from Nov. 1-12. COP26 president Alok Sharma visited India in February and issued a statement before his departure stating, “I firmly believe that powerful action from India will be a catalyst for change, encouraging others to be more ambitious in their approaches to protecting both people and planet.”

With globalists warming turning up, discussions have begun in India on what it can do to withstand the pressure.

### **Biden’s Infrastructure Plan: Paving the Road to Hell**

April 1 (EIRNS)—Huge amounts of ink, digital and otherwise, are being wasted in discussion of President Biden’s \$2 trillion infrastructure plan, announced yesterday. But one of the more revealing comments came from the ever-green *Washington Post*, which insisted that the whole purpose of the plan isn’t infrastructure, but bringing about a paradigm shift.

“President Biden’s infrastructure plan would turbocharge the country’s transition from fossil fuels, using the muscle and vast resources of the federal government to intervene in electricity markets, speed the growth of solar and wind energy, and foster technological breakthroughs in clean power,” the *Post* wrote. “The linchpin of Biden’s plan ... is the creation of a national standard requiring utilities to use a specific amount of solar, wind and other renewable energy to power American homes, businesses and factories. The amount would increase over time, cutting the nation’s use of coal, gas and oil over the next 15 years.”

The *Post* concluded with excitement: “Biden’s strategy would amount to the most sweeping federal intervention in the electricity sector in generations.”

As that reality sinks in, there will be foot-dragging and more from all sorts of political and business layers in the country. The following response by Brian Wolff, executive vice president for public policy of the Edison Electric Institute, the power sector’s biggest trade association, is indicative:

“Certainly, we will review any proposed clean energy standard closely,” he said, “and we support policies that enable our member electric companies to continue to get the energy they provide as clean as they can as fast as they can, without compromising the affordability and reliability our customers value.”

Not precisely a ringing endorsement.

### **CGTN Runs Op-Ed by William Jones on China ‘Genocide’ Allegations**

April 1 (EIRNS)—In a recent CGTN op-ed, *EIR*’s William Jones ridicules the “genocide” accusations with regard to Chinese policy in Xinjiang, now the official policy of the Biden administration, as utterly ludicrous, and compares the improved conditions of the Uighur minority to the disastrous conditions of the African-American community in the United States or those of the Native American community. And given the economic consequences of the Biden administration “Green New Deal,” which would drastically lower energy throughput per capita in the United States, he writes, labelling this policy as “genocide” would be quite on the mark.

## **STRATEGIC WAR DANGER**

### **Russian Ambassador Is Not Planning To Return to Washington Any Time Soon**

April 1 (EIRNS)—Russian Ambassador to the United States Anatoly Antonov, yesterday told a joint meeting of the international and defense committees of Russia’s Federation Council, that he is not likely to return to Washington any time soon. According to accounts in TASS and Xinhua,

Antonov also said that he doesn't anticipate "bright prospects" for Russia-U.S. relations. Xinhua wrote: "The bilateral ties are in the midst of a deep crisis, which has grown partly due to the reluctance of the U.S. Joe Biden administration to solve problems with Moscow... Washington is destroying the foundations of Russia-U.S. interactions as the incumbent administration has continued" with the sanctions policies of its predecessor. "The diplomat believes that Washington will not change its stance substantially and the 'systemic containment' of Russia will remain a priority."

Antonov told the legislators: "For several years, Russia has actively attempted to improve bilateral ties, to establish equal, mutually respectful, pragmatic dialogue.... However, we haven't managed to change the trajectory of Russia-U.S. relations."

In an interview with Channel One's "Bolshaya Igra" (Great Game) today, Foreign Minister [Sergey Lavrov](#) discussed at length the degradation of U.S. relations with Russia, in response to the question—asked twice—"when will Ambassador Anatoly Antonov return to Washington?" In his first answer, he detailed the ostensible missile defense arms buildup on Russia's border, "It was announced that it was built exclusively with Iran in mind.... We now have a missile defense area in Europe. Nobody is saying that this is against Iran now. This is clearly being positioned as a global project designed to contain Russia and China. The same processes are underway in the Asia-Pacific region. No one is trying to pretend that this is being done against North Korea. This is a global system designed to back U.S. claims to absolute dominance, including in the military-strategic and nuclear spheres."

Asked immediately a second time, Lavrov replied, "It's up to President Putin to decide."

### **U.S. Policy Drawing Russia and China Closer, Lavrov Says**

April 1 (EIRNS)—In a wide-ranging interview that Sergey Lavrov granted to Dimitri Simes and Vladimir Nikonov for Channel One's program "Bolshaya Igra" ("Great Game"), Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov touched on the China-Russia relationship. He said that the harsh line the

U.S. is taking against both Russia and China has brought them closer, although neither is thinking in terms of a military alliance. “Such an alliance is an alliance of the Cold War era,” Lavrov said. “I would now think in terms of the modern era, when multipolarity is being formed. In this sense, our relationship with China is completely different from that of a classic military alliance. Maybe they are even closer in a certain sense.”

“The Chinese, like the Russians, are a very proud nation,” Lavrov said. “They are probably historically more patient. In the national code, in the genetic code of the Chinese nation, there is an orientation towards the historical perspective. They are never restricted by 4-5 year electoral cycles. They look ahead: ‘a big journey begins with a small step’ and many other aphorisms of Chinese leaders say that they value a goal that is not just on the horizon, but beyond the horizon. This also applies to the reunification of all Chinese lands—consistently, without haste, but purposefully and persistently. Those who talk with China, as well as with Russia, ‘paying lip service,’ as we say, speaking down to us, with insults—they are useless politicians and strategists. If they need it in order to show their ‘coolness’ in the next parliamentary elections in a couple of years, what is the sense of that?”

“By and large, no one should be rude. And with such great civilizations as Russia and China, the conversation goes downhill, if we are told what to do. If we want to say something, then we are asked to ‘hold up.’ This was the case in Anchorage when it came to human rights. A. Blinken said that there are many violations in the United States, but the subtext was clear—they would sort it out themselves and are already sorting it out. But when it came to Xinjiang Uighurs, Hong Kong, Tibet, etc. it was a different story. It’s not just a lack of diplomatic skills. It’s much deeper. In China, I felt that this patient nation, which always defends its interests while promoting a willingness to compromise, was put in a hopeless situation....”

“During my [March 23] visit to China, Foreign Minister Wang Yi and I adopted a Joint Statement on Certain Problems of Global Governance, where we emphasized the unacceptability of violating international law, its

substitution by some secretly elaborated rules, interference in internal affairs and, in principle, everything that contradicts the UN Charter. There are no threats there. The documents signed by the leaders of Russia and China always emphasize that bilateral strategic interaction and multifaceted partnership does not exist against anyone, but exclusively in the interests of our peoples and countries. It develops on a clear, objective basis of coincidence of interests. We are looking for a balance of interests, we have many areas where it has been found and is being implemented for the benefit of all of us,” Lavrov said.

### **U.S. Army Risks Cognitive Failure with Its Utopian War Plans**

April 1 (EIRNS)—The U.S. Army risks cognitive failure with its emphasis on creating “dilemmas” for the adversary in armed conflict. So warns [Michael Kofman](#), a senior research scientist at the Center for Naval Analysis and an adjunct senior fellow at Center for New American Security, in a March 31 article posted on the website of the Modern War Institute, hosted by the U.S. Military Academy at West Point (which included the usual caveat that the opinion expressed is solely that of the author and not that of the U.S. Army). In this article, Kofman takes aim at the Army’s land warfare doctrine released in 2019, entitled “Unified Land Operations,” which, Kofman reports, states that “creating dilemmas for opponents” will impose “multiple and compounding dilemmas on the adversary.” The adversary, presumably overwhelmed by simultaneous action in all domains, will become paralyzed, unable to orient or act, given the simultaneity and complexity of the assault. The hope is for U.S. forces to generate “overmatch,” and attain advantage through integration of operations, where it does not exist in material terms.

“Unfortunately, this evolution of cognitive ‘shock and awe’ is unlikely to prove effective against great power adversaries, and is a largely imaginary offset for not having actual material advantage in quantity or quality,” Kofman writes. “The likely outcome from this artful combination of so-called dilemmas is best analogized to the famous market scene from ‘Raiders of the Lost Ark,’ in which a swordsman skillfully flourishes his

scimitar to present multiple complex dilemmas, before being unceremoniously shot by Indiana Jones.”

Kofman argues that the next war—and he says that the Russians assume this in their military planning—will be an attrition war and that the “effects” that the Army thinks it will be able to create in the minds of its adversaries will never materialize. The Army, he says, is investing in a “faith-based enterprise.” Indeed, the Army’s current effort recalls the buzzwords and gobbledygook of then-Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld’s military transformation of nearly 20 years ago and which died a much deserved death in the dust of Iraq.

### ***Global Times* Sees No Improvement in U.S.-China Relations under Biden**

April 1 (EIRNS)—*Global Times* ran an article headlined “[China To Face ‘Protracted War’ on Human Rights with U.S.](#)” yesterday, citing Lü Xiang, a research fellow on U.S. studies at the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, on the Xinjiang flap and the charges of “genocide”:

“Though their accusations of Xinjiang are complete lies, ‘you cannot wake a person who is pretending to be asleep,’ Lü said, noting the proverb also applies to the U.S.’ domestic governance.” The article then quotes Jia Chunyang, an expert from the China Institutes of Contemporary International Relations, who said attacking China for nonexistent “genocide” means that “the U.S.’ hawkish strategy toward China will not ease during Biden’s term. The U.S. may take more actions on issues of Tibet and Hong Kong, Jia said.” Therefore, “China should get prepared for a ‘protracted war,’ Lü said.”

## **COVID-19 AND FAMINE**

### **Pan American Health Organization Warns the Americas To Stay on ‘High Alert’ against Pandemic**

April 1 (EIRNS)—In her weekly media briefing on March 31, Dr. Carissa F. Etienne, executive director of the Pan American Health Organization

(PAHO), urged all member countries to remain on “high alert,” because the coronavirus pandemic is by no means under control in the Americas.

PAHO is the World Health Organization’s adjunct for the Americas. The region is seeing increased numbers of COVID cases and deaths—19.7 million cases since Jan. 1, and 475,000 deaths. In the past four weeks, she reported, an average 1 million new cases were recorded every 7 days, with Brazil, Chile, Peru, and Paraguay in the spotlight as nations with very high death rates, to which collapsing hospital and healthcare systems are a contributing factor, because people can’t get the care they need to survive.

The situation is made worse, Dr. Etienne explained, by the shortage of vaccines, although the situation is improving slowly, with the UN’s COVAX mechanism kicking in with 2.5 million doses arriving in 17 countries in the last 30 days. But, she pointedly continued, vaccine supply “continues to be our greatest challenge,” largely due to delays in production. And, she warned, “we are also seeing far too many examples of vaccine nationalism, which limits global availability even further. The current system is hard-wired for inequity, and that is not acceptable. Vaccines should be available to all who need them, regardless of where they live.”

In countries where cases are rising, governments are imposing new restrictive measures to try to stem the spread. Paraguay’s rate of deaths per million, (6.27 over 7 days) is second only to Brazil’s rate of 11.17. Thus far, the Abdo Benítez government has ignored pleas from elected and medical officials to close the border with Brazil, seen as a major source of spreading infection.

Despite having the most successful vaccination program in Ibero-America (30% of the population have been vaccinated), Chile was forced to reimpose tough Phase One restrictions for Holy Week (March 28-April 4) because of rapidly increasing cases, attributed to restrictions having been lifted too soon. Argentina has also reimposed restrictions until April 9, given rising rates in the Buenos Aires metropolitan area. The vaccine shortage is acute in countries such as Ecuador and Peru, where infection

rates are soaring. In Ecuador, with 17.4 million inhabitants, only 174,062 have been vaccinated with a first dose, and 60,358 with both. In Peru, with a population of 32.5 million, only 540,000 people have been vaccinated. Moreover, in the Lima-Callao region, with the largest number of cases, there are no ICU beds. Dr. Lesly Solari of Peru's National Institute of Health, reports that in this second wave, they are seeing more cases of people being reinfected, which may be more lethal in some cases, *La República* reported.

### **Blinken Tells Paraguay, Drop Dead! Don't Even Think About Getting Vaccines from China!**

April 1 (EIRNS)—The possibility that Paraguay, the only nation in South America that still maintains diplomatic ties with Taiwan, is considering trying to get COVID vaccines from China and break with Taiwan altogether, has driven U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken up the wall. Paraguay is in an absolutely dire situation, overwhelmed with rising cases of coronavirus and a collapsing healthcare system. With a population of 7 million people, it has been able to obtain only 163,000 doses of vaccine, 23,000 of which were Chinese, donated by Chile. President Mario Abdo Benítez has been greatly weakened by continuous mass protests denouncing his inaction in dealing with the pandemic.

As the pandemic has worsened, talk of a possible break with Taiwan to establish ties with the P.R.C. and seek vaccines has intensified. To stave off any such possibility, Blinken called Abdo Benítez on March 14, Ibero-American media reported. To offer vaccines? No—to tell him that the U.S., Taiwan, and “democratic regional and global partners” are Paraguay's true allies, in case he were thinking otherwise.

Paraguay's Foreign Minister Euclides Acevedo responded on national TV that “Mr. Blinken was very firm in telling Abdo, ‘Look, your allies are Taiwan and us.’ ” But “we ask these strategic allies for proof of their love. Before holding hands, you have to at least take us to the movies.” He went on that “countries with which we don't have diplomatic relations” are actively courting other nations with vaccines. “President Xi Jinping has a

lot of interest in a tie-up with us.” As for whether Paraguay should establish relations with China, Acevedo gave no definitive answer, saying only, “that is a political debate that merits an agreement between all branches of government and society.”

### **WHO Charges Inept Governmental Actions in Europe Are Prolonging the COVID Pandemic**

April 1 (EIRNS)—The combination of a top-heavy bureaucracy and a too-thin manufacturing capability has turned Europe into a health hazard for the world. Hans Kruge, World Health Organization’s director for Europe, called the “unacceptably slow” vaccine rollout a factor in “prolonging the pandemic.... Let me be clear: We must speed up the process by ramping up manufacturing, reducing barriers to administering vaccines, and using every single vial we have in stock, now.” The European Union’s bureaucracy, in particular, has proven to be allergic to increasing production, and much better at erecting barriers against the Russian and Chinese vaccines. It would seem that the call for using every single vial refers to the AstraZeneca doses that are being kept from usage presently.

Krueger cited 27 European nations as being in partial or full lockdowns. This evening, French President Emmanuel Macron declared in a TV address that France will have a nationwide, four-week lockdown. It will include schools and daycare centers, which will close from April 12-26. Macron said that new variants make the virus “more infectious and deadlier.”

## **COLLAPSING WESTERN FINANCIAL SYSTEM**

### **Bolsonaro’s ‘Self-Coup’ Backfires, as Mishandling COVID Crisis Is Toppling His Government**

April 1 (EIRNS)—Cornered by demands from all sectors to end his criminal refusal to act against the COVID pandemic, Brazilian President Jair Bolsonaro this week tried to carry out what Ibero-Americans call an “*auto-golpe*,” a military “self-coup” in order to remain in power. But he failed. Now the question most analysts are asking is: How much longer will

Bolsonaro be able to hold on to power, as the country sinks into collapse and chaos?

Bolsonaro tried to postpone the inevitable by shaking up his cabinet on March 29, including firing his Defense Minister Gen. Fernando Azevedo e Silva. He replaced Azevedo with a crony, Gen. Walter Braga Netto, who had been serving as Chief of Staff of the Presidency. Bolsonaro's son Eduardo, a federal congressman, has been organizing right-wing militias to demonstrate in front of Army barracks, openly calling for a military intervention to support his father. Both Eduardo Bolsonaro and Braga Netto then issued provocative statements on the March 31st anniversary of the 1964 military coup, praising that coup for guaranteeing "democracy." The message was clear.

But the military didn't bite. The heads of all three branches—Army, Navy, and Air Force—refused to go along and threatened to jointly turn in their resignations, an action without precedent since the return to Brazilian democracy over 30 years ago. Faced with that defiance, General Braga Netto quickly "fired" the commanders "on Bolsonaro's orders," to retain a pretense of "being in charge."

But Bolsonaro and his team are not in charge. There is a widespread revolt across the country, including within the military, against Bolsonaro's insane handling of the pandemic, including his regular rants against masks, social distancing, and even vaccines. Just before being dumped, Defense Minister General Azevedo had defended a scathing interview given by the officer in charge of the Army's health program, Gen. Paulo Sergio, in which he had told the leading paper in Brazil's capital, *Correio Braziliense*, that the Army COVID mortality rate is way below that of the general population, because it strictly enforces precisely those World Health Organization recommendations which Bolsonaro insists must be ended. Pointing to what is happening in Europe, General Sergio warned that Brazil should be preparing for a third wave to hit within two months.

When the dust settled on the resignations/firings of the commanders of the three forces, the person who emerged as the new head of the Brazilian army was ... General Sergio—an unmistakable message to Bolsonaro.

How long can Bolsonaro hold out? A few weeks ago, some 300 top bankers and businessmen issued an open letter demanding that he change COVID policies. Now it is clear he does not have the military as an institution behind him, either. The country is at the breakpoint: Under his cruel neoliberal policies, including ending all pandemic relief in December, 40 million out of 211 million Brazilians now live in extreme poverty.

## UNITED STATES POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC

### **Biden Continues Money Printing, Now with Some Taxes Attached**

April 1 (EIRNS)—Behind the Biden announcement of what is called a \$2.2 trillion, 8-10 year “infrastructure and jobs bill,” there are various moving parts. Most of the tax increases to back it up would not come in until the 2030s, which would be quite reasonable if the plan involved investments which raise economic productivity; but it does not. It mixes together aid to caregivers for elderly and disabled, with mandates for solar and wind power and electric vehicles, with worker retraining (training new oil field workers to cap wells!), with actual transportation infrastructure repair and federal R&D spending. Combined with shutdowns of coal, oil, and nuclear power production, it will reduce productivity.

The infrastructure and jobs plan will actually be part of the annual budget legislation the administration will propose in May, likely joined, by then, by \$1 or \$2 trillion more in proposed new spending (“American Families Act”), and another trillion in tax increases and new taxes. And a part of the \$2.2 trillion “plan” may split off into a separate, multi-year surface transportation bill.

Biden’s clear intent is to put forward a legislative plan which can only be passed with 51 party-line Democratic votes in the Senate under “budget reconciliation”—or, after abolishing the filibuster—because it is based on

revoking the Republicans' "signature" corporate tax reduction of 2018 and raising the corporate tax rate back up to 28%. Carbon taxes, capital gains, and individual tax increases are likely to come up later in April when "American Family Plan" spending is added, such as subsidized child care, further expanded Medicare, etc.

Parallel to this 8- to 10-year spending plan is a British Crown-like scheme for the Interior Department to offer very large offshore leases for wind farms on a scale not seen yet in the United States. Bloomberg reported March 29, based on leaks from an administration briefing to state officials and corporate executives, that these would include the entire southern coastline of Long Island, the New York Bight across from Long Island to New Jersey, and the Texas Gulf Coast "where there are looser regulations," according to an accounting expert quoted. How are fishermen and other marine interests supposed to navigate these hundreds of miles of wind turbines anchored in the sea bed and the cables running along the bottom? How long until Texas suffers more blackouts when its electricity capacity is virtually nothing but this wind power, and natural gas turbines?

This scheme to make cheap, unreliable wind power into expensive, unreliable wind power is supposed to draw \$12 billion/year in investment over nine years, with generation and distribution costs very high—much higher than onshore wind farms—and electricity rate increases to match.

Meanwhile manufacturing subsidies and incentives in the "infrastructure and jobs plan" are supposed to enable the building of these huge windmills in the United States—as they are not now—along with port improvements for the specialized ships that plant the offshore turbines and lay their distribution cables.

Otherwise, while nearly \$200 billion over eight years is supposed to be thrown away subsidizing and creating incentives for electric vehicle purchases and installing 500,000 charging stations, look at the \$80 billion in R&D and what it does not fund: fusion and plasma technology research; space science and industrialization, space propulsion and exploration; laser and related manufacturing technologies. Rather, micro-conductors are all

the focus in order to “beat China” in the field; along with battery technology to try to store solar and wind, and biotechnology research.

## THE NEW GLOBAL ECONOMIC ORDER

### Nervousness that China Might Be About To ‘Eat Washington’s Lunch,’ Even in Mexico

April 1 (EIRNS)—“China-Mexico-U.S. Economic Cooperation” was the title of an August 2018 LaRouche movement open letter to Mexico’s then-President elect Andrés Manuel López Obrador. Almost two-and-a-half years later, on April 7, the Inter-American Dialogue (Washington’s premier Democratic-leaning think-tank for inter-American affairs) and the American Chamber of Commerce of Mexico will hold a virtual conference on “Developments in the U.S.-China-Mexico Triangular Dynamic.” Their invitation blurb is revealing:

“As the Biden administration looks to reset relations between Washington and Mexico City, China’s approach to engagement with Mexico is also evolving. This includes a limited Chinese role in key government projects, such as the Tren Maya and the Dos Bocas refinery.... In addition, according to Mexico’s foreign secretary, the two countries agreed in January to expand their strategic partnership. What are the prospects for sustained growth in Chinese engagement with Mexico? In what areas are Chinese investors likely to focus post-pandemic? What factors will shape the U.S.-Mexico dynamic in the coming months? And what effect, if any, will Biden’s approach have on Chinese prospects?”

- Watch [Harley’s Updates](#) with Harley Schlanger on Friday, April 2: Every weekday morning on [The LaRouche Organization](#) website, Harley will give you the strategic briefing on what you need to know to start your day.