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EDITORIAL

Victory Is Required Before the Election

Aug. 25 (EIRNS)—The Democrat Convention last week demonstrated for all the world to see that the memory of Franklin D. Roosevelt and John F. Kennedy has been totally expunged from the addled brains of the party elite, both the aging boomers and the drug-infested younger generation.

There was nothing of the great infrastructure programs of FDR, who created the electrified nation capable of providing the “arsenal of democracy” to defeat fascism. Nor was there even a hint of the inspiration of JFK’s declaration that “We choose to go to the Moon in this decade and do the other things, not because they are easy, but because they are hard, because that goal will serve to organize and measure the best of our energies and skills.” Instead of that, the disintegrating Democrat Party presented a racist portrait of “identity politics.”

As Kamala Harris put it—we are giving people the chance to vote for people who “look like them.” Or as Manichean Joe put it, vote for me because: “I will be an ally of the light, not of the darkness.”

Nancy Pelosi today, in a state of high anxiety, ranted to the media that President Donald Trump and his supporters in the Congress are “enemies of the state ... domestic enemies” who are seeking to “scare people from voting,” and to “welcome Russian intervention into our election by letting Putin decide who will be president instead of the American people.”

To the credit of the Republican Party, the first night of their Convention countered the Democrats’ racist “identity politics” with optimism and opportunity. A number of Black elected officials and personalities pointed to President Trump’s concern for the most fundamental of the human rights denied to the minorities in the United States—what FDR called the “freedom from want.” Sen. Tim Scott from South Carolina closed the Convention, discussing the “Opportunity Zones” which he and the President had launched in the inner cities of America, aimed at creating jobs and job training for the “forgotten men and women” of the nation. He spoke of the “evolution of the Southern heart,” pointing to his election victory over the son of a notorious racist, noting that his Grandfather, who dropped out of school in the third grade to pick cotton, lived to see his Grandson become the first Black man to be elected to Congress and then to the Senate from South Carolina. Another Black elected official, State Representative Vernon Jones, a Democrat from Georgia, said that the Democrat Party “didn’t want Black people to leave the plantation,” and

praised Trump for providing funding for the historically Black colleges, and for implementing criminal justice reform, and for defending the police against the anarchy on the streets.

Matt Gaetz, a Republican from Florida, noted that Donald Trump is the first President since Ronald Reagan who did not start a war.

But the Republicans have yet to grasp the measures required to reverse the existential threat now facing the nation and the world, which the LaRouche movement presented in the program [“The LaRouche Plan To Reopen the U.S. Economy: The World Needs 1.5 Billion New, Productive Jobs.”](#)

Ironically, President Trump has himself, at one time or another, addressed several of the key points in that program. He tried to end the “endless wars,” while trying to build friendship and cooperation with Russia and China. But it was not only the Democrats who cooperated with British intelligence in “Russiagate,” and now “Chinagate,” to stop any U.S. friendship with Russia or China—the Republican circles surrounding President Trump are equally intent on breaking that effort, with Secretary of State Mike Pompeo in the lead, demonizing both Russia and China, driving the world to the brink of war.

Trump must take a lesson from Ronald Reagan, who broke the British Empire’s controlled environment of the imperial division of the world, East vs West, by working with Lyndon LaRouche, adopting LaRouche’s proposal to cooperate with the Russians (then the Soviet Union) on building a space-based defense against nuclear weapons, to “make nuclear weapons obsolete,” as Reagan put it in his famous March 23, 1983 television address to the nation. Were President Trump to follow that example, to accept the LaRouche plan for the leaders of the U.S., Russia, China and India to meet, to stand up against the British Empire’s “divide and conquer” and address the multiple threats to civilization facing mankind today, these problems could be resolved. Putin has proposed a variation on LaRouche’s “Four Power” proposal, promoting a Summit of the five Permanent Members of

the UN Security, which has been accepted by all five leaders, but without a certain date.

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U.S. POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC

Unhinged, Nancy Pelosi Dubs the President and Republican Party ‘Enemies of the State’

Aug. 25 (EIRNS)—Appearing even more unhinged than she usually is, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi made a spectacle of herself yesterday, telling MSNBC that President Donald Trump and the Republican Party were “enemies of the state ... domestic enemies” who are seeking to “scare people from voting to intimidate them by saying he’s going to have law enforcement people at the polls, to welcome Russian intervention into our election by letting Putin decide who will be president instead of the American people.” These “enemies of the state” she warned ominously “live at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue and in the United States Congress.”

But, she sputtered in her self-righteous indignation, just “ignore him, because his purpose is to diminish the vote, to suppress the vote.” In his remarks to the Republican National Convention yesterday, Trump again warned of efforts to “rig the election” and defraud the American people, through mail-in voting.

The Speaker’s war cries followed yesterday’s grilling of Postmaster General Louis DeJoy before the House Oversight Committee, which as Byron York in the *Washington Examiner* put it “achieved seldom-reached heights of ugliness.” Frenzied Democrats implied that DeJoy was guilty of making illegal campaign contributions to Trump’s campaigns, suggested he

had committed a felony by “slowing down the mail,” and excoriated him for not knowing the cost of sending a postcard by mail and not being able to recite verbatim the Post Office’s famous slogan, (“neither snow nor rain nor heat nor gloom of night...”). They were equally enraged when he wouldn’t admit to the “crimes” of removing blue collection boxes and mail processing machines and denied ordering a cutback of hours “at any of our post offices.” He did say, however, that he suspended these practices “to remove any misperceptions about our commitment to delivering this nation’s election mail.”

Fifty-Point Republican ‘Agenda’ Announced, with Details To Follow

Aug. 25 (EIRNS)—The Republican Party has announced a fifty-point “Agenda,” which is an outline of the major points that President Donald Trump will be emphasizing in his campaign. Details on each point will be further elaborated, but many represent major policy issues he has frequently highlighted. This is not the official GOP platform. Key points include:

- Economics: create 10 million jobs in 10 months; cut taxes to boost take-home pay; expand opportunity zones;
- Coronavirus: “Eradicate” Covid; develop vaccine by end of 2020; “return to normal” by 2021;
- End our reliance on China: bring back 1 million manufacturing jobs from China; tax credits for companies that bring back jobs from China; no federal contracts for companies that outsource to China; hold China fully accountable for allowing the virus to spread around the world.
- Healthcare: cut prescription drug prices; lower healthcare insurance premiums; cover all pre-existing conditions; protect Social Security and Medicare; create world-class healthcare and services;
- Education: school choice for every child. “Teach American exceptionalism”;
- Law enforcement: defend the police; bring violent extremists like Antifa to justice;

- “Innovate for the future”: launch Space Force, establish permanent manned presence on the Moon and send first manned mission to Mars;
- “Build the world’s greatest infrastructure system”: win the race to 5G, and establish a national high-speed wireless internet;
- Foreign policy: “stop endless wars and bring our troops home; make allies pay their fair share; maintain and expand America’s “unrivaled military strength”; wipe out global terrorists who threaten to harm America.

CBS Battles To Save Russiagate

Aug. 25 (EIRNS)—The regular CBS “60 Minutes” program Sunday night dragged out a dead horse—the British Russiagate hoax, that Russia stole the 2016 election. With no shame, CBS (one *EIR* wag dubbed it “See BS”) ignored the fact that former NSA technical director Bill Binney has now thoroughly disproven the “Big Lie” that Russia, or anyone else, could have hacked the DNC computers to help Donald Trump.

The segment featured John Demers, head of the Justice Department’s national security division, who stated as a known fact that the 12 Russians, indicted by Robert Mueller’s witch hunt as “GRU agents,” had created Guccifer 2.0 and ran the alleged hack. He said that if these 12 were ever to be put on trial, it would be a slam dunk that the Justice Department could prove the case in court (knowing, of course, that such a trial will never take place).

“60 Minutes” then dragged in the critical lie that the stolen DNC emails were made public through Russian collusion with Julian Assange and “dirty trickster Roger Stone.”

This exposes the purpose for this re-run of discredited and disproven nonsense—the British Empire and their assets in the U.S. are panicked that President Donald Trump is considering a pardon for Edward Snowden, and possibly also Julian Assange, while they are equally panicked that Roger Stone is openly working with the LaRouche organization to move President Trump to do just that, and more.

You Will Die for the Coup

Aug. 25 (EIRNS)—Health and Human Services Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs Michael Caputo put out a Twitter message on Aug. 24 displaying how the *Washington Post* headlines promoted convalescent blood plasma as a treatment breakthrough for COVID-19 for months—until the White House Coronavirus Task Force announced FDA emergency use authorization of it—and then trashed it in its pandemic update feature today.

On his Twitter site SpoxHHS, Caputo wrote: “Wait @washingtonpost what happened here?” and displayed the daily’s own headlines beginning with “Now”

Aug. 24—“Live Updates: Scientists Express Doubts about Coronavirus Treatment Touted as Breakthrough by Trump”

And beneath that “Before”

March 27—“Blood from People Who Recover from Coronavirus Could Provide a Treatment”

April 7—“Plasma from Recovered Patients Could Help Treat COVID-19 Until We Find a Vaccine”

June 18—“Blood Plasma from People Who Recovered Is a Safe COVID-19 Treatment, Study Says”

Aug. 3—“Four Former FDA Commissioners: Blood Plasma Might Be the COVID-19 Treatment We Need”

Iraq Official Declares U.S. Military Has Timeline for Leaving

Aug. 25 (EIRNS)—A senior military spokesman in Iraq has indicated that the U.S. military withdrawal and handover of the base in Taji was more than just a repositioning of U.S. forces within the country. Maj. Gen. Tahsin Khafaji, spokesperson for Iraq’s Joint Operation Command, told state media that the troops at Taji “did not re-station anywhere in Iraq,” saying that the U.S.-led coalition is moving in the direction of leaving the country, reported Rudaw.

“The International Coalition troops are committed to handing back all the bases they have been using to the Iraqi government,” Khafaji said, and stating further that they have established a timeline for the exit. “The handovers come at the request of the Iraqi government, as many bases have completed their training and preparatory tasks, and it became necessary [for the Iraqi government] to receive the bases from coalition forces.”

“The U.S.-led coalition will still support Iraqi forces to defeat Daesh [ISIS] in Iraq through airstrikes,” Khafaji said.

When Iraqi Prime Minister Mustafa al Kadhimi met with President Donald Trump in the White House on Aug. 21, Trump said that U.S. troops would eventually be leaving Iraq, but he gave no timetable at that time.

Pompeo Baldly Violates Hatch Act by Addressing Republican Convention—Does He Care?

Aug. 25 (EIRNS)—Secretary of State Mike Pompeo’s decision to address tonight’s Republican Convention has unleashed a scandal, because it baldly violates stated law—the Hatch Act—that bars government employees from publicly engaging in partisan politics. According to NBC News, other diplomats are “aghast” at Pompeo’s blatantly political move. The fact that he will be speaking during an official overseas trip to Jerusalem, and that his trip there was paid for by the U.S. government, makes his decision all the more egregious.

Former State Department career officer Linda Thomas-Greenfield told NBC that “Pompeo is clearly ensuring the State Department is politicized by using his position to carry out what is basically a partisan mission.” None of this should come as any surprise, however. As Renée Sigerson points out in an upcoming article for *EIR*, “Today, it is Pompeo, a distilled by-product of international globalists’ poisonous, decades-long subversion of the U.S. political process, who is daily usurping Presidential authority.” At least one memo issued by the State Department’s office of the Legal Adviser, states explicitly that no “Senate-confirmed Presidential appointee” can even attend “a political party convention.”

Pompeo himself warned State Department employees not too long ago not to get involved in partisan politics. And Deputy Secretary of State Stephen Biegun wrote a forceful memo last February to employees proclaiming that he would not even discuss politics in emails with friends, and announced that as a Senate-confirmed department official, he would be “sitting on the sidelines of the political process this year and would not be attending any political events.” But Pompeo insists that he is speaking tonight in a “personal” capacity,” that the Trump campaign is paying for everything, and that he’s only there to talk to Americans about how Trump has made him and his family “safe” from harm.

STRATEGIC WAR DANGER

Esper Tells ‘Free World’ To Avoid the ‘Malign Influence’ of the Chinese PLA

Aug. 25 (EIRNS)—Secretary of Defense Mark Esper, one of Mike Pompeo’s “Club of Five” kooks since their days at West Point, invoking the imagery of the Cold War against the Soviet Union in an op-ed in the *Wall Street Journal*, called the Chinese People’s Liberation Army not an army of China, but the military arm of the Chinese Communist Party. “A more capable PLA is a military more able to advance the party’s domestic vision, the one-sided international system Beijing desires, and an economic and foreign-policy agenda that is often inimical to the interests of the U.S. and our allies,” Esper wrote. “As a consequence, all nations that seek the prosperity and security of a free and open order must carefully consider the implications of PLA requests for access, training and technology.” He said that PLA modernization “is a trend the world must study and prepare for—much like the U.S. and the West studied and addressed the Soviet armed forces in the 20th century.”

After describing the U.S. strategy to contain China, Esper called on “all countries to examine—and consider curtailing—their relationships with the PLA to make sure they are not helping advance the Communist Party’s malign agenda toward our collective detriment.”

“This week I will travel to Hawaii, Palau and Guam to meet both in person and virtually with my counterparts and other senior leaders from across the region to convey the importance of these efforts and our commitment to a free and open Indo-Pacific,” Esper concluded. “Nations valuing freedom, human rights and the rule of law must stand together to counter the coercive role of the PLA in the Chinese Communist Party’s aggressive attempts to undermine the sovereignty of nations.”

B-52s Practicing Nuclear War against Russia?

Aug. 25 (EIRNS)—On Aug. 22, six B-52 bombers arrived at Royal Air Force Fairford in Gloucestershire, England for a new Bomber Task Force deployment in Europe. What was not reported until yesterday was that the bombers flew from their base in North Dakota around the North Pole region to the Norwegian Sea where they exercised with Royal Norwegian Air Force F-16s and F-35s before continuing on to their destination. This was described by The War Zone’s Joseph Trevithick as a “clear signal” to Russia.

Indeed, Hans Kristensen, the director of the Federation of American Scientists’ Nuclear Information Project, pointed out that the six bombers together are capable of carrying 120 nuclear-armed cruise missiles. Therefore, Trevithick concludes from that and the polar flight route that they could have been flying a nuclear strike mission profile against targets in Russia.

Pompeo and Netanyahu Vow Iran Won’t Get Nuclear Weapons

Aug. 25 (EIRNS)—Secretary of State Mike Pompeo met with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu in Jerusalem yesterday. They both promised during a joint press briefing that the U.S. will not allow Iran to acquire nuclear weapons, or other modern weapons for that matter. Netanyahu gushed with praise to Pompeo especially for the fact of the U.S. attempt to snap back UN sanctions against Iran. “[Y]ou have stood up to Iran’s aggression and triggered the snapback sanctions,” he told Pompeo. “And we’ve seen Iran, since the JCPOA was concluded, emerging from its cage and devouring one country after another, targeting countries with rockets,

with terrorism, with pillage and plunder and murder—murder—all over the Middle East and even beyond the Middle East, including into your hemisphere.”

Pompeo, for his part, declared that “President Trump made clear: Iran will never have a nuclear weapon. And we are determined to use every tool that we have to ensure that they can’t get access to high-end weapon systems, air defense systems.” (The Iranian Defense Minister was in Moscow examining the Russian S-400 as Pompeo was speaking.)

“It’s time to stand up,” Pompeo went on. “It’s time to publicly account for the fact that Iran is on the cusp on October 18th of having access to those weapons and the money that will come from their sale of those weapons that will be used to inflict real harm, not only in the Middle East but in Europe as well.”

Biegun Has ‘Democracy’ Meet with Former Belarus Candidate Tsikhanouskaya in Lithuania

Aug. 25 (EIRNS)—On Aug. 24 U.S. Deputy Secretary of State Stephen Biegun met with former Belarusian presidential candidate Sviatlana Tsikhanouskaya in Vilnius, Lithuania, where she has sought self-exile on Aug. 9, and on the same day Russian President Vladimir Putin spoke by telephone with Belarus President Aleksandr Lukashenko. Biegun “met with Belarusian opposition leader Sviatlana Tsikhanouskaya to discuss the situation in Belarus and how civil society can strengthen democracy and human rights in the country. The Deputy Secretary affirmed the U.S. commitment to Belarus’ sovereignty and territorial integrity and to the sovereign right of its people to elect their own leaders and determine their own future,” the State Department press release reported yesterday.

Obviously trying to heat up the situation, Biegun also met with Lithuanian Foreign Minister Linas Linkevicius, Defense Minister Raimundas Karoblis, and other officials to “discuss the situation in Belarus, countering threats posed by Russia and the People’s Republic of China, and the promotion of human rights and democracy.”

In their telephone discussion, Belarusian President Lukashenko and Russian President Putin they discussed the situation in Belarus, “especially in the Western context”.

“The heads of state discussed issues of combating the coronavirus infection. In this context, the presidents agreed that Belarusian citizens will voluntarily take part in the third stage of tests of the Russian-manufactured anti-coronavirus vaccine. Belarus will be the first country to be supplied with this vaccine,” Belarusian Telegraph Agency, or BelTA, reported.

This is the fourth time the two Presidents have spoken by phone since the Aug. 9 election in Belarus sparked the crisis in that country.

THE NEW GLOBAL ECONOMIC ORDER

U.S. and China Hold ‘Constructive’ Talks on Phase One Trade Deal

Aug. 25 (EIRNS)—Late yesterday, Treasury Secretary Steve Mnuchin, U.S. Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer and Chinese Vice Premier Liu He spoke by videoconference to discuss Phase One of their bilateral trade deal. The talks had been delayed by a week, but according to fairly restrained statements from both sides, they were “constructive.” The fact that they occurred in the midst of worsening bilateral tensions was seen as positive. *Global Times* editorialized today that continuing U.S.-China economic ties are an important counter to the “geopolitical fanatics” who fan the flames of confrontation.

A statement issued by Lighthizer’s office emphasized that the three had discussed steps “that China has taken to effectuate structural changes called for by the agreement that will ensure greater protection for intellectual property rights, remove impediments to American companies in the areas of financial services and agriculture and eliminate forced technology transfer.” They also discussed significant increases in Chinese purchases of U.S. products as well as “future actions” to implement the agreement. “Both sides see progress and are committed to taking the steps necessary to ensure the success of the agreement,” the statement concluded.

As reported by Xinhua, China's Commerce Ministry reported that both sides "had a constructive dialogue on strengthening bilateral coordination of macroeconomic policies and the implementation of the phase-one trade agreement." They agreed, moreover, "to create the conditions and atmosphere to continue to promote the implementation" of the trade pact.

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