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## EDITORIAL

### **Supporting Afghanistan, for World Peace and Development— Opportunities Not To Be Missed**

Sept. 9 (EIRNS)—This Saturday, the 20th anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks, the Schiller Institute is holding an international online event,

centered in New York City, titled, [“9/11/2021: The Path Forward from Afghanistan, 9/11, and the Surveillance State.”](#) Experts—from intelligence specialists William Binney and Ray McGovern, to 9/11 victims and families suing for disclosure of classified documentation—will bring out the truth about the British, Saudi, and treasonous U.S. networks behind the attack. Covering up those facts with the Big Lie that rogue bad guys in caves in Afghanistan brought off the hijacked commercial jet assaults, is a key part of what has led to 20 years of destructive, failed warfare in Afghanistan, which is now ended. Schiller Institute President Helga Zepp-LaRouche will speak and participate in the dialogue on what comes next.

The event will be preceded on Sept. 10, Friday evening with concert performance of the Schiller Institute NYC Chorus, streamed live from Manhattan, titled, [“9/11 Memorial Concert: Beethoven’s ‘Agnus Dei’: Peace for Ourselves, and the World.”](#)

These occasions are not to be missed. They embody the interventionism needed to act in support of what is required at this moment for initiatives to support reconstruction in Afghanistan, to move the world into a new era of cooperation and betterment everywhere, not destruction.

There are reports from the Central Asian region in this direction. Today the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in China said that yesterday’s meeting convened by Pakistan, which included China, Iran, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, and Turkmenistan, all neighbors of Afghanistan, marks what will be ongoing collaboration. Ministry spokesman Zhao Lijian said that the meeting “signifies the establishment of a coordination and cooperation mechanism by its neighboring countries. This mechanism goes hand in hand with other existing multilateral mechanisms related to the Afghan issue and can complement each other and form synergy.... The hope to host the second conference has already been expressed.”

On the ground, institutional support has begun. On Sept. 6, the first of three planes flew into Mazar-e-Sharif, with tons of medical supplies from the World Health Organization. The UN logistics service, run by the World Food Program, tweeted photographs of the plane and cargo, to mark the

commitment. Today, Doctors Without Borders (MSF) tweeted that they have been able to keep open the five hospitals they operate in Afghanistan. China announced it will send in 3 million doses of COVID-19 vaccine, and \$30 million worth of food, medicines, and related aid. The Kabul International Airport is now fully operational, and a flight carrying 100 people, including several Americans, departed today and landed safely in Qatar.

The necessity for a new direction posed by the Afghanistan situation, demands rethinking by all institutions. This was in evidence at today's heads-of-state annual BRICS meeting, held virtually, hosted by India. All five national leaders spoke. Afghanistan was prominently on the agenda, and Russia's President [Vladimir Putin](#) stressed that "the withdrawal of the U.S. and their allies from Afghanistan led to caused a new crisis situation.... Understandably, just like its BRICS partners, Russia has consistently advocated the establishment of long-awaited peace and stability in Afghanistan, where the people have been fighting for many decades and have earned the right to independently determine what their state will be like." He said that the partnership of the BRICS nations is in demand in many challenging situations. "I agree with my colleagues who expressed this opinion that the authority of our association is growing. Its role in international affairs is on the rise and it is substantial."

Also required for a world shift into a positive direction is the role of citizen leadership everywhere—speaking out on what must be done. On Sept. 5, Schiller Institute President Helga Zepp-LaRouche addressed this in her statement, "[Can 'The West' Learn? What Afghanistan Needs Now!](#)" issued for endorsement and for fostering other statements and initiatives from everywhere.

In total opposition to such mobilization of humanity, [Tony Blair](#), the instigator of every possible "R2P" ("responsibility to protect") military invasion he could imagine, appeared today in live-streamed broadcast interview on 9/11 by the [Washington Post Live](#). He defended the U.S. and NATO's 20 years in Afghanistan, and the bin Laden cover story, and

demanded continued Anglo-American military collaboration anywhere and everywhere against what he described as never-ending “extremist radical Islamism.” The fact that anyone should listen to this imperial war criminal simply demonstrates the treasonous nature of the *Washington Post*.

- Watch [Harley's Updates](#) with Harley Schlanger on Friday, September 10, 2021: Every weekday morning on [The LaRouche Organization](#) website, Harley will give you the strategic briefing you need to start your day.

## NEW WORLD ECONOMIC ORDER

### World Health Organization Aid Shipments Arriving in Afghanistan

Sept. 9 (EIRNS)—On Sept. 6, a World Food Program (WFP) plane, carrying World Health Organization (WHO) essential medicines and supplies, landed in Mazar-e-Sharif in northern Afghanistan. This was the first of three such planned cargo deliveries. The WFP’s executive director retweeted the WHO information that the shipment of 53 metric tons contained 780 medical kits, and 50 kits to treat severe acute malnutrition in children. WHO teams were on the ground, ready to swiftly deliver the supplies to health facilities most in need. The WHO tweeted photographs of the plane and cargo.

That day, Al Jazeera’s Charlotte Bellis wrote from Kabul that aid agencies, including the Red Cross/Red Crescent, Doctors Without Borders (Médecins Sans Frontières), and the World Health Organization itself, say they are running out of food and medicine. “WHO has said that 90% of their clinics will close imminently.” She said that WHO had 2,300 health clinics spread across the country, operating last year, treating millions of people.

### China To Donate Vaccines, Medical Aid to Afghanistan, Urges for Regional Cooperation, Coordination

Sept. 9 (EIRNS)—Yesterday’s mini-summit hosted by Pakistan among the foreign ministers of Pakistan, China, Iran, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, and

deputy foreign minister of Turkmenistan, called to discuss how to address the challenges posed by the situation in Afghanistan, by all its immediately neighboring countries. They announced a humanitarian aid package of \$31 million, including food, water, 3 million doses of COVID-19 vaccine, and other medical supplies. The meeting was chaired by Pakistan's Foreign Minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi, who had just completed a tour of Afghanistan's neighbors 10 days earlier. The 3 million doses of COVID vaccine reportedly represent only a first batch, with more to come. Xinhua reports that China's State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi announced that Beijing is prepared to offer more anti-epidemic and emergency materials to Afghanistan under the China-South Asian Countries Emergency Supplies Reserve.

Today, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman [Zhao Lijian](#) offered more details on yesterday's meeting, stressing that it is the first attempt by Afghanistan's neighbors "to work closely in response to the evolving situation in the country," and to specifically establish "a coordination and cooperation mechanism." He explained that this mechanism should be able to work smoothly with other existing multilateral mechanisms on Afghanistan "can form synergy by complementing each other. All participating parties support the continued operation of this unique mechanism so that countries can share policy propositions, coordinate positions and jointly address challenges through this platform. The hope to host the second Ministerial Meeting has already been expressed," Zhao reported.

## STRATEGIC WAR DANGER

### **Tony Blair Justifies Imperial Forever Wars against 'Islamist Extremist Enemy,' a 'Battle of Values'**

Sept. 9 (EIRNS)— In special *Washington Post Live* webinar interview as a commemoration of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks, entitled "9/11: Twenty Years Later," *Post* columnist [David Ignatius](#) and former British Prime Minister [Tony Blair](#) instead presented a lying picture of what was behind

the events of that day—someone in a cave in Afghanistan was to blame—and on Blair’s role in particular in promoting endless imperial warfare to defeat what he said was, even today, the Western world’s most dangerous enemy, Islamist extremism. The oh-so-polite and slavish Ignatius encouraged Blair to elaborate on the myth that he was just the loyal friend of President George W. Bush, who stood by Bush when he made the difficult decisions to go to war on Afghanistan, lying about his own role in promoting the U.S. 2003 invasion of Iraq with his “responsibility to protect” maxim. Blair also stuck to the story that Saddam Hussein possessed weapons of mass destruction, repeating multiple times the word “protect” to explain years of interventionist wars he defended.

More broadly, Blair couldn’t stress enough that the strategic goal now must be to defeat radical Islamism; this is the enemy. He asserted that even if Western military forces had succeeded in killing Osama bin Laden early on, it wouldn’t have “altered the basic problem that we had with this movement.” Today, it will be required to build a strong alliance against Islamism. He made no mention of economic development or reconstruction, but only the need to defeat radical Islamic movements. The West will have to deal with Afghanistan the best way it can, he said, but he emphasized that it can’t lose its will to fight. Why? Because “the people we’re up against ... not just the proponents of radical Islam, but China, Russia, others. We should be concerned, because they take a long-term view, and this is my worry.” If the West believes it faces a terrorist threat, and a “battle of values, not just interests but values, with the rising powers of the world who are outside of our alliance, if we take a purely short-term view, we’re going to lose.” The West will also need patience, consistency and purpose to “stay with it. We can’t defend our values if we have a short-term view against those who have a long-term view.”

Ignatius reminded Blair of two centuries of British Imperial “misadventures” in Afghanistan, “the graveyard of empires,” and asked whether he considered that getting involved in Afghanistan again, in 2001, would have meant getting stuck as in the past. Blair replied that, naturally, there were concerns, but cautioned that those misadventures took place in

the context of the British Empire—and, of course, in 2001, the situation was very different: no British Empire. It was a difficult situation, there were tribal tensions, but understand, he said, “this was not a colonial adventure or an attempt to suppress the country but, on the contrary, an attempt to liberate it....”

Regarding the invasion of Iraq, WMDs, etc. Blair stuck to his story that Saddam had biological weapons and WMDs, and then went back to his claim that really Iran was operating inside Iraq, as were extremist Islamist forces, so the question was “what would the consequences be if we failed to act?” (No mention of the Saudi Wahhabists, such as bin Laden, and the majority of 9/11 hijackers.) Of course, 20 years later, he said, we now have a “more nuanced” evaluation. He couched his hysterical attack against U.S. President Joe Biden for what Blair called his “imbecilic” troop withdrawal from Afghanistan as just one area of disagreement with the U.S. President, whom he said he otherwise admires and respects. But the issue is “fear for the future—what is the future of our policy, and of extremism?”

### **U.S.-Russia Strategic Stability Talks To Resume at the End of September**

Sept. 9 (EIRNS)—Russian Deputy Foreign Minister Sergey Ryabkov told TASS yesterday that strategic stability talks with the U.S., to follow up the June 16 summit between Presidents Putin and Biden, will resume at the end of this month in Geneva. The last round of face-to-face meetings between the sides took place in July. He reported that “we are in contact with the Americans, including via conference calls. Such contacts will continue until [there is] a personal meeting. The process is rather intensive.”

Ryabkov cautioned that these talks are “not like with a meteor falling—sudden yet memorable.” There is a consistent work in progress, nothing “sensational.” The meetings take place in an interagency format, and thus “the schedules of the representatives of a whole number of structures on both sides should be coordinated.”

In an interview with the daily *Kommersant*, reported by Sputnik today, Ryabkov also expressed the hope that Washington won’t be tempted to

expand the strategic stability talks to include the topic of China, for example. He explained that officials of the Trump administration had tried, but failed, “to lure us into some kind of game on an anti-Chinese basis.”

## COLLAPSING WESTERN FINANCIAL SYSTEM

### China’s New Stock Market, U.S. Investment Enrages Soros

Sept. 9 (EIRNS)—According to a tweet yesterday from Goldman Head of Research [Alasdair Macleod](#), the purpose of the new stock exchange board, announced Sept. 2 by President Xi Jinping for small and medium enterprises, was: “In my view Xi is insulating China from an increasingly likely Global financial crisis by eliminating dependence on foreign financial markets.” There were similar sentiments from other observers. Macleod was responding to a Sept. 7 article by [Jesse Turland](#) in *The Diplomat*,” that he included in his tweet.

At the same time, George Soros and others are accusing China of provoking a systemic crisis with its refusal to bail out real estate giant Evergrande. By the end of June, the company’s reported debt was Rmb572 billion (\$89 billion); and by the end of August, its total liabilities were reported by *Financial Times* as Rmb1.97 trillion (\$305 billion). On Sept. 7 Moody’s cut its rating for Evergrande’s from Caa1 to Ca, one step from default—the third time it downgraded Evergrande in “as many months.” Fitch likewise downgraded its rating for company from CCC+ to CC. Half of Evergrande’s offshore debt is owned by foreign investors.

Now, *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung* reports that George Soros has called on the U.S. Congress to pass a law to stop financial transfers of capital to China, which ostensibly comes in response to a BlackRock announcement that it plans to assist and advise investors to invest more in the Chinese economy. BlackRock is offering to make use of its exclusive status as the only foreign fund to have received a license from the Chinese to operate in China, and to do so with having majority foreign ownership.

This has enraged Soros, who charges BlackRock with providing Xi Jinping with money for the Chinese President's alleged ambitions to become lifetime authoritarian ruler of China, to continue suppressing the Chinese population (presumably that includes his having relieved 800 million citizens from poverty), and to be a more aggressive player on the global stage.

## UNITED STATES POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC

### Biden Announces Plan To Stem Spread of COVID, Delta Variant, and Urge Vaccinations

Sept. 9 (EIRNS)— In a speech this afternoon, President Joe Biden announced a broad-reaching plan intended to greatly expand the number of Americans who are vaccinated against novel coronavirus, including all federal employees, and all contractors who work for the federal government—with no option for weekly testing instead. Two Executive Orders were issued today mandating vaccinations for all federal employees and contractors. The announced measures also mandate that employees working in private companies with more than 100 workers must either get vaccinated or face weekly testing. Once the policy is in place, businesses that ignore the mandate could pay up to \$14,000 per violation. Most health-care facilities that accept Medicare or Medicaid funding will also be required to vaccinate their employees. Staffers at federally funded Head Start programs, along with Defense Department schools and federally operated schools for Native Americans are also being ordered to get vaccinated.

Biden adopted a fairly harsh tone for those 80 million Americans who haven't been vaccinated. "We've been patient," he said, "but our patience is wearing thin. And your refusal has cost all of us." He described the current situation as a "tough stretch, and it could last for a while. What makes it incredibly more frustrating is we have the tools to combat COVID-19, and a distinct minority of Americans, supported by a distinct minority of elected officials, are keeping us from turning the corner."

In terms of educational facilities, Biden called on governors to require vaccinations for all teachers and school staff. Biden also offered financial assistance to those school districts that have defied their states' no-mask mandates, and are being punished financially as a result.

Efforts will be made to boost testing, by offering free testing at 10,000 pharmacies nationwide, and, for the next three months, Amazon, Kroger and Walmart will sell at-home rapid tests at cost. The Defense Department will also double the number of clinician teams being sent to struggling hospitals, and the government will increase shipments of free monoclonal antibody treatments to states this month.

As might be expected, some Republican governors—Gov. Brian Kemp of Georgia—are screaming that Biden's actions are unconstitutional and will be challenged in court. Texas Rep. Dan Crenshaw called Biden's measures "insanity," warning they would lead to "full-on revolt," *Forbes* reported. Rep. Elise Stefanik (R-NY), chair of the House GOP Conference, called Biden's measures an "authoritarian power grab."

## SCIENCE AND INFRASTRUCTURE

### Italy's ENI Runs Successful Fusion Power Test in Superconducting Magnetic Confinement

Sept. 9 (EIRNS)—Italian energy company ENI announced yesterday a successful test in thermonuclear fusion magnetic confinement through high-temperature superconducting technology. The test was accomplished by Commonwealth Fusion Systems (CFS), a spinoff company of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Plasma Science and Fusion Center, established in 2018, in which ENI is a shareholder.

The Sept. 8 statement on [ENI](#)'s website says: "CFS has successfully completed the test aiming to demonstrate the operation of the innovative magnet for plasma fusion confinement, for the first time made with HTS (high-temperature superconductor) technology...."

“The test concerned the superconducting technologies and it showed the possibility of maintaining the magnet in the superconducting regime with a high stability of all the fundamental parameters for its use in a fusion power plant. The innovation will contribute to a significant reduction in plant costs, ignition and maintenance energy of the fusion process and in the general system complexity, nearing the time and reducing the effort to build a demonstration plant that will produce more energy than that required to maintain the fusion process (net energy production plant). This will subsequently allow constructing and conveniently deploying power plants throughout the world, connecting them to the electricity grid without expensive custom-made generation and transport infrastructures.

“On the basis of this important achievement, CFS confirms its roadmap and intends to build the first experimental device with net energy production named SPARC by 2025, followed by the first demonstration plant, known as ARC , that could start feeding energy into the grid over the next decade, according to schedule.

“SPARC will be built by assembling a total of 18 identical HTS magnet coils (similar to the one tested), in a toroidal configuration (a doughnut shape named ‘tokamak’) to generate a magnetic field with the strength and stability necessary to contain a plasma of hydrogen isotopes at temperatures of around 100 million degrees, at which the fusion of atomic nuclei can occur with the release of a very high quantity of energy.”

## GREEN NEW DEAL

### **Foolish Argentine President Proclaims Respect for Climate Change Is a ‘New Paradigm of Development’**

Sept. 9 (EIRNS)—Argentine President Alberto Fernández has made the fatal mistake of accepting the idea that there is a global climate crisis and that he must adapt his economic and energy policies to address the supposed disaster and save the planet before it’s too late. At the center of his concern is Argentina’s debt load and the assumption that if his government embraces the policy insanities proposed for the COP26 summit

in Glasgow, scheduled for Nov. 1-12, it would be a way to obtain debt relief. So, as the host of the Sept. 8 High-Level Dialogue on Climate Action in the Americas, attended by several South and Central American and Caribbean heads of state, Fernández announced that he has decided “to place climate and environmental action at the center, and as a priority of my government,” Telam news agency reported Sept. 8. Having earlier this year announced that he wanted his government to join China’s Belt and Road Initiative, Fernández is now calling for creating a “new paradigm for development” based on “environmentalist social justice which is the new name of development for the region.”

Among those listening to this nonsense were U.S. Climate Envoy John Kerry, UN Secretary General Antonio Guterres, and the British president of COP26, Alok Sharma. Yesterday’s virtual conference was convened to formulate a common policy for the whole region, heading into COP26. In his remarks, Kerry lamented the time lost on the issue during the Trump Presidency but said that Joe Biden is trying to remedy it. He warned, however, that “nature is screaming that we’re not doing enough: We see floods, droughts, avalanches, melting glaciers. When I ask scientists what most worries them, they say that what’s happening is irreversible,” which is, of course, not true. It’s a mathematical issue, he proclaimed: “We won’t reach net zero emission by 2050 if we don’t move forward.”

President Fernández has really jumped on this bandwagon, undoubtedly thinking it will win him points with the Biden White House, whose support he needs in negotiating with the IMF for a new standby loan. “We have to listen to the cries of our Earth and our people. This is here and now; together we can be part of a generation that can save our planet,” he raved. He announced that he will elaborate a national plan of adaptation to climate change, including provincial governments, and will create a committee to promote the transition to so-called renewable energies. All these commitments represent “one step that Argentina is taking toward a trajectory consistent with the goal of 1.5° Centigrade and with carbon neutrality by the year 2050.” And, he went on, the lessons learned from the coronavirus pandemic should also be applied to the “next pandemic we are

suffering, which is climate change.” Special Drawing Rights issued by the IMF should be applied to “a great environmental solidarity pact,” especially to include low- and middle-income countries. It should also serve to extend debt repayment terms and lower interest rates, he said. SDRs should be applied to “reduce climate shock and financial shock,” he said, *Página 12* reported him saying Sept. 8. Fernández has also discussed the idea of exchanging climate action for debt relief with Kerry and IMF Managing Director Kristalina Georgieva.

### **UN Food Systems Summit Set for Sept. 23, Featuring Green Reset Austerity, as Revolt Grows**

Sept. 9 (EIRNS)—The UN Food Systems Summit is set for Sept. 23, in New York City, partially virtual. It was initiated formally in fall 2020 by Secretary General António Guterres, who was put up to it reportedly by the World Economic Forum crowd, in 2019. The official goal is to improve world food systems and to help meet the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDG), but the context is to avoid rocking the boat for world food cartel control, preach the doctrine of saving the planet, and therefore ensure depopulation.

Early on, Guterres appointed Dr. Agnes Kalibata as Special Envoy for the Summit; a Rwanda agriculturalist, with plenty of credentials, she is the currently president of Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA), an infamous outfit funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and Rockefeller Foundation. That fact, and related months of five tracks of odious pre-summit events, leading up to the Sept. 23 conclave, have now drawn criticism, to the point that many organizations are boycotting the whole affair. Some protesting groups are equally green, and amount to players—witting or not—in a gang-countergang operation. But other farm and consumer advocates just want to keep their distance from an obviously Green Reset dirty operation run through the UN.

The mode of the Guterres green food systems’ so-called “reform” is staged “stakeholder action,” exactly according to the World Economic Forum’s January playbook, *Stakeholder Capitalism: A Global Economy*

*that Works for Progress, People and Planet Stakeholder Capitalism*, by WEF Founder and Chairman Klaus Schwab. Anticipating Sept. 23, and in pre-events, statements were made by thousands of “stakeholders” on food and farming—from the World Wildlife Fund and its billionaires, to small farmers, and eaters hither and yon—all assuming man-made climate change is unquestionable.

Letters of protest have been flying against the Food Systems Summit, and against this week’s Africa Green Revolution Forum (AGRF) Agriculture event as well. Usually cited are the glaring UN, AGRA and World Economic Forum connections. The UN and WEF formed a partnership agreement in 2019.

Many groups have announced plans for boycotting the Food Systems Summit, including Greenpeace, Friends of the Earth, Amnesty International. The gist of the complaints goes beyond food control and industrialized farming, to blast the use of chemicals, bio-engineered seed improvements, and other modern technologies.