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## EDITORIAL

**Putin, at Valdai Annual Forum, Encourages Value of Human Life over Failed Ideology and Woke 'Phantasmagoria'**

Oct. 22 (EIRNS)—President Vladimir Putin, speaking at the annual meeting of the Valdai Discussion Club in Sochi on Oct. 21, presented a stark picture of the strategic and cultural degeneracy of the Western nations, while pointing to the opportunity which must not be missed, for mankind to come together behind the most fundamental value that unites mankind—life itself. While it may sound simplistic, it is a fact that the most powerful interests in the Western world, centered around the “Green Finance” fanatics on Wall Street and in the City of London, are hell-bent on a Malthusian assault on the population of the world, advanced and developing sector nations alike. The COP26 UN Climate Change Conference, scheduled for Glasgow from Oct. 31-Nov. 12, under the theme “The Climate Has No Borders,” is intended to be the culmination of the 30-year process by the British Royal Family and the billionaires club known as the World Economic Forum to impose on every nation on Earth their genocidal “decarbonization” dictates, destroying the energy and infrastructure needed for the support of the human race, driving the world back to a pre-industrial time in history, which could sustain fewer than 1 billion people, as it did then.

Fortunately for humanity, a growing number of nations and national leaders are announcing that they intend to have nothing to do with the green fascist Halloween Party in Scotland. One after another, nations are announcing that they will not only refuse to pledge an end to fossil fuels, but on the contrary will expand their mining of coal and oil to generate the energy they need to support their populations. Even Joe Biden and his crazy Climate Czar John Kerry, are running up against reality, as the destructive impact of the Green New Deal has already driven a massive inflationary spiral, not only in energy, but in nearly every commodity, a spiral which threatens to explode into a hyperinflationary destruction of currencies and a

collapse of the global productive process. Biden's Democratic Party is unable to convince even its own members of Congress to pass the Green New Deal dictates to stop fossil fuels and impose a carbon tax. Biden is crying that he will be going to Glasgow empty-handed.

President Putin, in his Valdai Club speech, reflected The LaRouche Organization mobilization of an international anti-Malthusian resistance against this insanity. He defended the existence of the nation-state against globalization and the "regime change" wars of the past decades:

"Only sovereign states can effectively respond to the challenges of the times and the demands of the citizens. Accordingly, any effective international order should take into account the interests and capabilities of the state and proceed on that basis, and not try to prove that they should not exist. Furthermore, it is impossible to impose anything on anyone, be it the principles underlying the sociopolitical structure or values that someone, for their own reasons, has called universal. After all, it is clear that when a real crisis strikes, there is only one universal value left, and that is human life, which each state decides for itself how best to protect based on its abilities, culture and traditions.... The trick is that of course there is a lot of diversity and every nation around the world is different. Still, something unites all people. After all, we are all people, and we all want to live. Life is of absolute value."

He noted, as Lyndon LaRouche also did many times over the years, that the financial oligarchs that believed they had won the Cold War, "thought they had climbed Mount Olympus," but "soon discovered that the ground was falling away underneath even there.... The socio-economic problems facing humankind have worsened to the point where, in the past, they would trigger worldwide shocks, such as world wars or bloody social cataclysms. Everyone is saying that the current model of capitalism which underlies the social structure in the overwhelming majority of countries, has run its course and no longer offers a solution to a host of increasingly tangled differences.... Today, we are facing systemic changes in all directions."

He warned the Western nations against the “woke” hysteria, “when great authors of the past—such as Shakespeare—are no longer taught in schools and universities.... The classics are considered backward for their failure to understand the importance of the questions of race and gender. Countering manifestations of racism is a necessary and noble thing, but in the new cancel culture it is being turned into reverse discrimination, that is, racism in reverse. The obsessive emphasis on the theme of race further divides people.... Not to mention the simply monstrous things, such as when children today from a young age are taught that a boy can easily become a girl and vice-versa, factually imposing on them an alleged choice, removing the parents from this process and forcing a child to make a decision that could break his/her life.”

Yet the Western elite can think of nothing but global war. NATO chief Jens Stoltenberg, speaking at a NATO Defense Ministers meeting on Oct. 21, announced a “new overarching plan to defend our Alliance in crisis and conflict,” because, he asserted, “the whole global balance of power is shifting because of the rise of China.” In Washington, the Biden Administration has appointed Nicholas Burns—a leading Anglo-American war hawk who as U.S. Ambassador to NATO led the West into the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq—to be the new U.S. Ambassador to China. In his confirmation hearing in the Senate Oct. 20, he retailed all the lies thrown at China, even the absurd claim of “genocide” in Xinjiang, and the laughable assertion that China has “very few friends.” Naming this man as Ambassador to China gives the lie to President Biden’s claim in an Oct. 21 Town Meeting on CNN that “I don’t want a Cold War with China.”

Equally dangerous, the White House released a “[Roadmap To Build an Economy Resilient to Climate Change Impacts](#)” on Oct. 15. The document declares an “all of government” offensive to enforce green fascist policies, including that the \$12 trillion in retirement savings and pensions across the country will henceforth be “protected” from “financial climate risk”—by enforcing investment managers to divest from fossil fuels and divert these trillions into the green bubble in wasteful and undependable windmills and solar panels. Most outrageous is the claim that the current breakdown in

supply chains was not created by the enforced shortages in fossil fuels and the inflation spiral, but by climate change! “This year alone,” it reads, “extreme weather has upended the U.S. economy.... Both international and domestic supply chains have been disrupted by climate change.”

The Schiller Institute will counter this lunacy in an international conference on Nov. 13-14. Focused on bringing Russia, China, the United States and others together to lead the necessary effort to build a new international financial and credit system, the four panels will address: Can a Strategic Crisis Between the Major Powers Be Avoided?; The Science of Physical Economy; There Are No Limits to Growth in the Universe; and The Beauty of True Human Culture. Register today, at the [Schiller Institute website](#).

- Watch [Harley's Updates](#) with Harley Schlanger on Monday, October 25, 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

### **Putin Contrasts Russia's 'Conservative Optimism' and Martin Luther King vs. Western 'Wokism' and Blacking Out History**

Oct. 22 (EIRNS)—At the Valdai Discussion Club on Oct. 21, Russian President [Vladimir Putin](#) gave a thoughtful explanation as to what a nation and a culture needs to deal with injustice and move forward. “The fight for equality and against discrimination has turned into aggressive dogmatism bordering on absurdity, when the works of the great authors of the past—such as Shakespeare—are no longer taught at schools or universities, because their ideas are believed to be backward. The classics are declared backward and ignorant of the importance of gender or race. ... Countering acts of racism is a necessary and noble cause, but the new ‘cancel culture’ has turned it into ‘reverse discrimination’ that is, reverse racism. The obsessive emphasis on race is further dividing people, when the real

fighters for civil rights dreamed precisely about erasing differences and refusing to divide people by skin color.”

Putin pointed out that the dream of those who truly fought for human rights was to erase distinctions and reject the idea of dividing people on the basis of their skin color. “I specifically asked my colleagues to find the following quote from Martin Luther King: ‘I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by their character.’ This is the true value. ... Each of us is a human being. This is what matters.”

In contrast, the discussion of gender rights, for example, has turned into a “phantasmagoria... Anyone who dares mention that men and women actually exist, which is a biological fact, risk being ostracized. ‘Parent number one’ and ‘parent number two,’ ‘birthing parent’ instead of ‘mother,’ and ‘human milk’ replacing ‘breastmilk’ because it might upset the people who are unsure about their own gender. I repeat, this is nothing new; in the 1920s, the so-called Soviet *Kulturträger* also invented some newspeak believing they were creating a new consciousness and changing values that way. And, as I have already said, they made such a mess it still makes one shudder at times.

“Not to mention some truly monstrous things when children are taught from an early age that a boy can easily become a girl and vice versa. That is, the teachers actually impose on them a choice we all supposedly have. They do so while shutting the parents out of the process and forcing the child to make decisions that can upend their entire life.”

Just previously, he had said, “We look in amazement at the processes underway in the countries which have been traditionally looked at as the standard-bearers of progress.” If that is their choice, that is their business, but do not make it ours.

He concluded: “The conservative views we hold are an optimistic conservatism, which is what matters the most. We believe stable, positive development to be possible. It all depends primarily on our own efforts. Of course, we are ready to work with our partners on common noble causes.”

## GREEN NEW DEAL

### **Manchin Offers Bernie Sanders, ‘How About Zero?’**

Oct. 22 (EIRNS)—It is getting to look more and more like poor Joe Biden and his green fascist hitman John Kerry will be going off to their Hallowe’en Climate Bash in Glasgow empty-handed and disgraced. It is not only that there are many major “carbon emitters” refusing to attend, and/or openly declaring that they will be expanding—not contracting—the use of coal and oil in energy generation, for the simple reason that they care about their citizens. On top of that, their own Democratic Party is telling them to forget about Biden’s “Build Back Better” hyperinflationary \$3.5 trillion fiasco, or at least those parts aimed at shutting down the economy under the guise of the fake science of carbon-driven climate change.

West Virginia Democratic Sen. Joe Manchin met with Green fanatic Sen. Bernie Sanders on Oct. 20, and those who were there report sparks were flying. While Bernie was insisting the entire \$3.5 trillion was needed, Manchin responded: “How about zero?” making a zero with his hand. He said the Congress should pass the bipartisan infrastructure bill, and then pause for six months.

The pundits are saying a compromise bill is soon to be worked out, but when Manchin was asked about it, he told the press: “This is not going to happen anytime soon, guys. I don’t see that happening.”

Without his vote, the Democrats can not ram it through, since they need all 50 Democrat votes.

### **Biden Administration Turns Back to ‘Green’ Executive Actions, to Have Something To Show at COP26**

Oct. 22 (EIRNS)—The chances for Joe Biden’s administration to legislate a Green New Deal and take it to the Hallowe’en Summit of COP26 are now essentially zero, as even the Democrats in Congress have resisted—or generated resistance by their climate extremism, as the case may be. So Biden has turned, again, to executive orders and regulations, this time to try to show them off in Glasgow.

Following the Oct. 14 all-of-government Executive Order 14030, in the form of a “Roadmap” from the White House, on Oct. 21 the Financial Services Oversight Council issued a report to its member regulators telling them to crack down on bank investments and security issuances connected to fossil fuel exploration and power generation. The FSOC report/directive was issued on the same day that the mighty climate warrior of the banking world, Mark Carney, attempted in a speech to definitively declare trillions of dollars of oil, coal and gas assets “stranded”—barred from exploitation—around the world.

The FSOC is not an advisory body. Chaired by Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen, it is the council created by the Dodd-Frank Act of the 15 major U.S. financial, securities, and insurance regulators—the Treasury, the Office of Controller of the Currency, the Federal Reserve, the FDIC, CFTC, SEC, etc. Its “report,” and this is its first report in 12 years’ existence, is actually a directive by the Treasury to the regulators, which will lead to regulations being issued to banks and other financial firms. MarketWatch quoted one enthusiastic financial Greenie: “To unlock that Dodd-Frank power, we need to establish climate as a systemic risk. On this the FSOC was unequivocal—it is a threat to the financial system and all agencies in the FSOC, including the Fed, agreed. That unlocks regulatory power. That’s a big deal.” And MarketWatch itself overstated Biden’s case: “At minimum, a closer alliance presented in the report for diagnosing and reporting climate-change risk for financial markets may help President Biden’s standing at the pivotal UN climate-change talks (COP26) that kick off in Glasgow in a little more than a week.”

But tremendous damage could be done. Consider: The first regulation expected, imminently, is an SEC rule requiring that companies include their “climate risk exposure” in their earnings reports. These reports, usually issued quarterly, have become crucial to companies, and if they have to tell investors that their quarterly results are achieved by taking “environmental risk,” they believe their stocks will be shellacked. This is only one indication of the gouging of carbon-related investment these 15 regulators

can do under Treasury orders. The 40-page Executive Order 14030 is titled, [“A Roadmap To Build a Climate-Resilient Economy.”](#)

## STRATEGIC WAR DANGER

### NATO Defense Ministers Endorse New Plan To ‘Defend’ Alliance

Oct. 22 (EIRNS)—NATO defense ministers, meeting in Brussels yesterday on the first of two days of meetings, endorsed what NATO Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg described afterwards as “a new overarching plan to defend our Alliance in crisis and conflict, to make sure that we continue to have the right forces at the right place, at the right time, to protect our one billion people from any threat.” The new plan includes: “significant improvements to our air and missile defenses, strengthening our conventional capabilities with fifth generation jets, adapting our exercises and intelligence, and improving the readiness and effectiveness of our nuclear deterrent.”

“What we did today was to address and also make important decisions on how NATO should respond to a more competitive world, where we see more state-to-state rivalry, and where actually we see the whole global balance of power is shifting because of the rise of China,” Stoltenberg said when asked about China. “So when you address this whole new security environment with new threats and new challenges, of course, part of that picture is China. And the fact that China is heavily modernizing its military capabilities, including advanced nuclear systems and long-range missile systems, and also that we see China coming much closer to us, not least in cyberspace. So that’s what we actually are addressing.”

Regarding Russia, Stoltenberg reported that the alliance has been increasing its presence in the Black Sea “because the Black Sea is of strategic importance for NATO.” He further said that “we are constantly assessing what more we can do, partly by increasing the presence but also partly by increasing our ability to quickly deploy forces if needed. And that’s exactly why we need high readiness of our forces.”

## **Biden Vows To Defend Taiwan and Then White House Walks Back His Statement**

Oct. 22 (EIRNS)—During a “town hall meeting” in Baltimore, last night, President Joe Biden was set up by CNN’s Anderson Cooper to further wreck U.S.-China relations. Asked about China, Biden replied: “Don’t worry about whether we’re going to—they’re going to be more powerful. What you do have to worry about is whether or not they’re going to engage in activities that will put them in a position where there—they may make a serious mistake. And so, I have had—I have spoken and spent more time with Xi Jinping than any other world leader has. That’s why you have—you know, you hear people saying, ‘Biden wants to start a new Cold War with China.’ I don’t want a Cold War with China. I just want to make China understand that we are not going to step back. We are not going to change any of our views.”

“So, are you saying that the United States would come to Taiwan’s defense if China attacked?” an apparently unbelieving Cooper asked. “Yes, we have a commitment to do that,” Biden said, in an apparent abandonment of the U.S. policy of ambiguity on the defense of Taiwan.

The White House, however, was quick to “clarify” afterwards that the President was “not announcing any change in our policy.”

“The U.S. defense relationship with Taiwan is guided by the Taiwan Relations Act,” a spokesperson said. “We will uphold our commitment under the act, we will continue to support Taiwan’s self-defense and we will continue to oppose any unilateral changes to the status quo.”

## **COLLAPSING WESTERN FINANCIAL SYSTEM**

### **Putin Explains, the EU’s Spot Markets Make Gas Four Times More Expensive Than Gas Supplied by Gazprom**

Oct. 22 (EIRNS)—As TASS reports, gas supplied by Gazprom to Europe under long-term contracts costs the EU countries four times less than gas purchased on the spot market, Russian President Vladimir Putin said at the annual meeting of the Valdai Discussion Club at Sochi, yesterday. “Those

European companies that receive gas from Gazprom under long-term contracts receive it four times cheaper [than those who buy gas on the spot market]. It is not about a percentage figure but it is four times [cheaper]. And Gazprom does not make any super-profits,” the President stated.

“We are not crying about this, because we are interested in long-term contracts, in long-term mutual obligations. In this case we provide an opportunity to invest in production and provide the required volumes for our consumers. It is stable and reliable,” he said..

Putin recalled that the latest policy the EU countries pursued in the sphere of gas market regulation implied abandoning long-term contracts in favor of spot contracts, which are supposedly a more market-based instrument. However, in 2021, it turned out that it was more profitable to supply gas to Asia and Latin America, rather than to Europe, which was one of the reasons for the current crisis, Putin stated.

## **EU Holds on to Green Deal Fantasies, Fails To Act Against Energy Crisis**

Oct. 22 (EIRNS)—Discussing the ongoing and escalating energy price crisis, the European Summit decided to decide nothing but to postpone any recommendations for instant measures, preferably on the national levels, to a separate meeting of EU energy ministers next Oct. 26. For the longer-term measures, the summit agreed to set up an expert survey at the European Commission “to study the functioning of the gas and electricity markets, as well as the EU ETS (Emission Trading System) market, with the help of the European Securities and Markets Authority.” The Commission should then assess “whether certain trading behaviors require further regulatory action,” the summit conclusions said, pretending leaders did not know whom to blame for the drastic price increases.

On the eve of the summit, Poland, the Czech Republic, and Spain were more on the mark when asking the EU to limit financial speculators’ participation in the carbon market, which they said has helped push CO2 prices to record highs. In a paper circulated to other countries ahead of the EU summit, Poland said Brussels should change or delay parts of its

climate policies, warning that if an “excessive burden” is put on consumers, they may reject the EU’s climate aims. “We should analyze in detail all elements of the Fit for 55 package that can have a negative impact on the energy price and consider their revision or postponement,” the paper said. “Fit for 55” refers to the EU policy package to cut emissions by 55% from 1990 levels by 2030.

Poland and the Czech Republic blamed the Emissions Trading System for aggravating the energy crisis, the Poles calling for steps to restrict access to the market to some financial investors to curb speculation and prevent further increase of pollution costs.

Coming as no surprise, outgoing German Chancellor Angela Merkel rejected the arguments by these governments, claiming that the Green Deal and the energy crisis were two “separate issues” that should not be put in one bag and that the energy spot market was not the problem, instead “more market” was needed than before.

### **Hungary’s Orbán Challenges EU Dictatorship at EU Council**

Oct. 22 (EIRNS)—The European Council was a battleground for Hungary against the Brussels dictatorship yesterday, with Prime Minister Viktor Orbán challenging the Commission on energy policy and state of law. The EU is “destroying” Europe’s middle class with his Fit for 55 package, Orbán said according to a tweet by his spokesman. (Fit for 55 is a commitment to reduce carbon emissions by 55% by 2030.) “Those who increase electricity and gas prices ‘above the ceiling’ are threatening European democracy. These plans must be withdrawn and rethought,” the tweet said.

“There is a witch hunt in Europe against Poland, but the truth is on Poland’s side, so we will stand by them.... EU institutions have nothing to do with areas where national parliaments haven’t transferred powers to the European Union,” Orbán is quoted as saying.

Ahead of the summit, Orbán said he cannot allow Brussels to question the results of Hungary’s utility cost reduction. “I expect a long debate. The

lights have already been shut off, at least in the heads of some EU bureaucrats.”

The EU Council was continuing today with discussion on other issues, including the dispute with Poland over reform of the judiciary.

## UNITED STATES POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC

### Burns, Nominee for U.S. Ambassador to Beijing, Torches U.S.-China Relations

Oct. 22 (EIRNS)—Nicholas Burns, President Joe Biden’s nominee to be U.S. ambassador to China, is apparently planning to start his tour in Beijing by burning what is left of U.S.-China relations. During his confirmation hearing before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on Oct. 20, Burns took a “tough line” against China, citing its “genocide in Xinjiang” and the need to better support Taiwan and countries such as Australia and Lithuania subjected to “bullying” and “intimidation campaigns,” reported *South China Morning Post*. He also expressed confidence that China has weaknesses that the U.S. can exploit, including demographics and the growing (alleged) global pushback over its behavior.

“China is not an Olympian power. ... They have enormous strengths. They have very few friends. They have no real allies,” claimed Burns, contrasting that with Washington’s 29 allies and numerous treaty partners. (China does not wish to have allies, and as for friends, 140 countries have joined the Belt and Road Initiative.) “We’re a strong country. We should be confident, for our values and our interests, and we can stand up to the Chinese. But our allies and partners can help to do that so that there’s real weight and leverage.”

Hong Kong’s *SCMP* account of the hearing indicated strong bipartisan support among members of the committee for such a tough line against China.

On Taiwan, Burns claimed that the U.S. could not trust China because Beijing had supposedly reneged on the “one nation, two systems”

framework for Hong Kong, and that Washington had “enormous latitude” to deepen its security assistance to Taiwan. “The administration and Congress together on a bipartisan basis should help Taiwan to maintain a self-defense capability,” Burns told Senators, observing flights by 149 Chinese fighter jets into Taiwan’s air defense zone earlier this month. “Our responsibility is to make Taiwan a tough nut to crack, help it increase its asymmetric defenses.” But Burns added that the best way to stave off conflict was still to adhere to long-standing Taiwan policy, including the one-China policy.

Burns also tried to stir up trouble between Russia and China. In Russia, “There are 300 or 400 million Chinese living below them. Russians are going to have to worry, long term, about economic domination of Russia by China,” he asserted, as well as Beijing’s growing arsenal of nuclear weapons in western China and recent testing of a hypersonic missile.

“What I think has to bother all of us is the attitude of the Chinese government. They don’t believe that they should be constrained in any way, shape or form by arms control,” said Burns, who served as undersecretary of state for political affairs from 2005 to 2008. “China’s the greatest threat to the security of our country. And the democratic world.”

## **A Reminder of the Evil of Nicholas Burns**

Oct. 22 (EIRNS)—A brief review of the history of Nicholas Burns is useful as he prepares to be the new U.S. Ambassador of War on China. He is a leading member of several central British Empire intelligence operations: Atlantic Council; CFR; Ditchley Foundation (Vice President—this is the institute of John Train and Baroness Elizabeth Symons of anti-LaRouche operations); and Chatham House (Senior Advisor); Aspen Strategy Group and Aspen Security Forum (Executive Director) . As Undersecretary of State under both Condoleezza Rice and Madeleine Albright (i.e., Bush and Clinton) he was responsible for Russian and related operations. As Ambassador to NATO from 2001 to 2005 he oversaw the invasions of Afghanistan and Iraq.

## Calling Out the National Guard Won't Solve Breakdown of U.S. Port Functioning

Oct. 22 (EIRNS)—With 58 giant container ships reportedly still moored offshore of California's Los Angeles and Long Beach ports as of Oct. 12, President Joe Biden and his White House spokeswoman Jen Psaki this week put out the word that the administration could call out the National Guard or Navy to help unload cargo or drive trucks at those ports, should the logjam continue.

Gimmicks won't work. Yesterday's story by Bloomberg, "Biden Races Clock and Holds Few Tools in Supply-Chain Crisis," gives a glimpse of the layer-upon-layer of bottlenecks to port functioning which are the result of decades of anti-American System, every-man-for-himself, "profit-first" policies.

Take the case of the much-discussed shortage of port truck drivers to move the cargo, which President Biden hopes to remedy by speeding up licensing for these jobs. That is tantamount to making it easier to become a slave laborer. Port truck drivers are independent contractors, forced to work without benefits, and only paid when hauling cargo, not for the long hours they must wait to pick it up. "The port truck driver, for decades now, has basically been the slack adjuster in the whole system," the University of Pennsylvania's Steve Viscelli explained to Bloomberg News; "the entire system, he said, is built around free labor from truck drivers as they wait for containers."

There is a shortage of chassis to be hooked up to trucks to move loaded containers, because many are still piled high with empty containers which have no place to go, because the warehouses are full. Likewise rail yards are jammed up by unloaded cargo, waiting to be moved, because the warehouses are full. "Many of our warehouses report that even their docks are full due to no availability of containers or carriers for outbound shipments," the International Warehouse Logistics Association wrote to the Department of Transportation, according to Bloomberg.

Nor can U.S. exports move out. Shippers find it more profitable to send empty containers back to Asia, where they can be reloaded with more profitable imports to the U.S., than to wait for them to be loaded with American products for sale in Asia! Exports from the Port of Los Angeles were down more than 40% year on year in September, and the lowest since 2002, according to port data, Bloomberg reports. Even the Ag cartels are being hit here.

John Porcari, “Port Envoy to the Biden-Harris Administration Supply Chain Disruptions Task Force,” is busy jawboning ship owners offering cash incentives for empty containers “to impress on them the importance of filling them with U.S. exports.” And the chairman of the Federal Maritime Commission, Daniel Maffei said last week that regulatory or enforcement intervention is unlikely, because “we still have a market-based system.”