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EDITORIAL

The Urgent Mission of the Anti-Malthusian Alliance

June 29 (EIRNS)—At the Schiller Institute June 26-27 conference, “For the Common Good of All People, Not Rules Benefitting the Few!” 37 speakers addressed the most important issues facing mankind today, and defined the level on which solutions can be worked out. This process is glaringly not the approach in the major world institutions at present, which are factionalized between the necessity and prospect of a new paradigm, as

against those locked in the old paradigm, with great danger involved for everyone.

This was manifest today in the Group of 20 ministerial meeting in Italy, the 2021 president of the G20, at which foreign and development ministers and diplomats met in person—the first time in two years—and some virtually. The focus was on the pandemic and food supply crises. Speaking online, Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi spoke of the need for coordinated action against the pandemic, saying sternly that the time for thinking in “zero-sum game” terms is over. There must be real collaboration. In contrast, German Foreign Minister Heiko Maas used the occasion to criticize China and Russia for distributing their vaccines to countries as “vaccine diplomacy” for allegedly political purposes.

Schiller Institute President Helga Zepp-LaRouche pointed out that the gathering in Matera, Italy is one of a sequence of meetings which defines the framework to direct our efforts to make clear to the world, the type of solutions truly required, using the “spearhead” of the necessity for mobilizing for a world health security capacity. July 26-28 in Rome will be the Pre-Summit on World Food Systems, in conjunction with the UN’s three Rome-based agencies, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the World Food Program (WFP), and International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), which will be followed in September by the Summit on World Food Systems at the time of the UN General Assembly in New York. In October is the G20 heads of state and government summit. The enemy green climate track will hold the UN Biodiversity Conference on Oct. 11-24 in Kunming, China, followed by the COP26 on Nov. 1-12 in Glasgow.

The generic title of today’s G20 meeting was, “People, Planet, Prosperity,” with the most repeated word being “multilateralism.” U.S. Secretary of State Tony Blinken had the audacity to assert that the United States is leading the multilateral effort to distribute COVID vaccines internationally. However, China’s Foreign Minister Wang Yi tweeted that “multilateralism is not a high-sounding slogan, let alone gift-wrapping for

the implementation of unilateral acts.” What is required, Wang said, is for nations to stabilize and expand the production and supply lines of vaccines and other necessities. Nations with vaccine capacity should lift any export impediments. Former Undersecretary of State at the Italian Ministry of Economic Development Michele Geraci, characterized the Matera proceedings, saying today specifically that it will be a world failure if “multilateralism” is taken to mean that 200 nations retrench, and in the face of crises, do not collaborate to address the pandemic, economic tasks, and famine. Geraci, who has been part of prior Schiller Institute colloquies, and who had lived for 10 years in China as a university professor in economics and finance, was giving an interview to China Global Television Network (CGTN).

Thus, today’s G20 ministerial, if anything, makes clear the responsibility to rapidly expand the dialogue process of the Schiller Institute, in policy and mobilization.

Helga Zepp-LaRouche spoke today, in particular, of the concept she had put forward over the June 26-27 conference, for the necessity to re-tool the capacity locked up in the military-industrial complex, which, she said, may sound utopian. But if we don’t, it will mean perpetuating the endless war policy of the MICIMATT, as former CIA analyst Ray McGovern refers to the Military-Industrial-Congressional-Intelligence-Media-Academia-Think-Tank complex.

The danger of the “endless” war scenario turning into a final nuclear Armageddon scenario couldn’t be made more clear than by considering what is going on this very week in the up-close military exercises taking place simultaneously by NATO and Russia in the Black Sea region and in the Eastern Mediterranean.

Zepp-LaRouche remarked of last weekend’s Schiller Institute four panels, that the entire conference was guided by the mode of thinking of Nicholas of Cusa’s coincidence of opposites. Now more and more people are “getting it.” Forge the anti-Malthusian alliance.

- Watch [Harley's Updates](#) with Harley Schlanger on Wednesday, June 30, 2021: 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.

LEADING NEWS

G20 Matera Ministerial Is Long on Rhetoric, Short on Solutions

June 29 (EIRNS)—Foreign and Development Ministers of the Group of 20 and representatives of UN agencies met today in a one-day event in Matera, Italy, hosted by Foreign Minister Luigi Di Maio, in Italy's capacity as G20's current rotating president. Several of the ministers appeared in person, but the ministers of China, Russia, Brazil, and others attended virtually. The major emphasis of the meeting, whose unimaginative title was "People, Planet, Prosperity," was to combat the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as food insecurity, famine, poverty, and disease, and to promote "sustainable development," and "sustainable" health systems—especially for Africa. Di Maio said in the closing press conference that the G20 has a special responsibility to help Africa to emerge from a "difficult period." It must be done in such a way, he said, that people won't feel the need to flee their countries and migrate to Europe.

The "[Matera Declaration on Food Security, Nutrition and Food Systems](#)," announces a number of initiatives for addressing the developing sector's most urgent problems, but all are couched in terms of "sustainability," respecting biodiversity and gender equality, and adapting "agriculture and food systems to climate change." The statement ends with a call for a "global mobilization" to solve these problems, while it presents no solutions that might actually yield results. The document cries out for the Schiller Institute and The LaRouche Organization's programmatic proposals for building a global health system, bankruptcy reorganization of the global financial system, and reconstruction of the world's economies with major infrastructure projects.

During the conference itself, there was much rhetoric about “multilateralism,” loudly advocated by Secretary of State Tony Blinken, who had the audacity to say “The United States is leading the multilateral response to the COVID-19 pandemic,” especially vaccine distribution, to which Chinese State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi tweeted in response that “multilateralism is not a high-sounding slogan, let alone gift-wrapping for the implementation of unilateral acts.” In his public statements, Wang called for an end to the “zero-sum game” in foreign relations. For example, he said, in fighting the pandemic it is to everyone’s benefit that those nations which have vaccines and vaccine capacity lift their export restrictions. Forget about ideology, and get to work on stabilizing vaccine production and supply lines, he said. German Foreign Minister Heiko Maas ignored that advice, complaining that Russia and China are only using their “vaccine diplomacy” for political leverage in the countries they aid. “We must openly discuss the fact that we do not think much of their vaccine diplomacy,” he harrumphed.

Michele Geraci, former Undersecretary of State at the Italian Ministry of Economic Development, said in an interview with CGTN that there is a lot of talk about multilateralism, but if it means that each of 200 nations do their own thing, and there is retrenchment, it doesn’t work. It hurts production, people-to-people contact, and international education, What is needed is real collaboration, he insisted.

Di Maio and other Italian participants pointed out that in terms of protecting health, Rome is home to a number of international food organizations—including the UN’s World Food Program, Food and Agriculture Organization, International, and International Fund for Agricultural Development—and that they and Italy will co-host the July 26-28 Pre-Summit of the World Food Systems, with the Summit taking place at the UN General Assembly in September. As this news service has pointed out, the Rome affair in July is terribly organized as a gathering of “stakeholders”—women, youth, climate, biodiversity groups, etc.—and that its solutions are supposedly “nature”-based, not focused on ending famine.

This is precisely the Davos World Economic Forum model announced by WEF founder and executive chairman Klaus Schwab last January.

STRATEGIC WAR DANGER

Up-Close NATO and Russian Exercises in the Black Sea

June 29 (EIRNS)—The U.S./Ukraine-led Sea Breeze 21 exercise is underway in the Black Sea. The Russians are watching it very closely. “The Black Sea Fleet is taking a package of measures to monitor operations by the ships of NATO and other countries participating in the Sea Breeze exercise, which began in the northwestern part of the Black Sea on June 28, 2021,” Russia’s national defense control center said in a statement yesterday, reported TASS.

To reinforce Moscow’s messaging, military units in Crimea carried out their own air defense exercise, involving about 20 aircraft assigned to the Black Sea Fleet. “Crews of the Black Sea Fleet planes and helicopters and an air force formation of the Southern Military District carried out training with divisions of S-400 missile systems and Panzir missile systems to test the combat readiness of the Crimean Peninsula’s alert force and air defense systems,” the Black Sea Fleet press service said in a statement TASS reported this morning.

Up-Close British and Russian Operations in the Eastern Mediterranean

June 29 (EIRNS)—The Russian air-naval exercise that began on June 25 continues, with the Royal Navy’s *HMS Queen Elizabeth* aircraft carrier right nearby. The [Russian Defense Ministry](#) posted a four-minute video yesterday, showing, among other things, two MiG-31Ks taking off from the Latakia air base in Syria, armed with Kinzhal hypersonic missiles, and two Tu-22M3 bombers, each armed with a pair of anti-ship missiles. The Kinzhal can be used against either land or maritime targets. The Russian Defense Ministry reported that the crews of its naval vessels involved in the exercise worked out the tasks of repelling the attack of enemy air assets and

conducted training for the air defense forces, and aircraft carrying hypersonic missiles made training flights accompanied by fighters.

“While this is the second time that the Tu-22M3 has been deployed to Syria, the emphasis on the type’s maritime strike mission is noteworthy, especially as it coincides with the high-profile appearance of *HMS Queen Elizabeth* in the Mediterranean for the first time, as first of its first operational cruise, as part of Carrier Strike Group 21 (CSG21),” writes Thomas Newdick in *The War Zone*. “The MiG-31K and its Kinzhal missile have not been deployed outside of Russian territory before this, and it seems highly likely they are also on hand to practice the anti-shipping mission, too.”

Also seen in the Defense Ministry video is a brief clip, maybe 4-5 seconds, of an F-35B flying over one of the Russian ships, suggesting that the *Queen Elizabeth* aircraft carrier isn’t all that far away. The *Queen Elizabeth* has been launching combat missions, in combination with Royal Air Force aircraft based in Cyprus, against ISIS targets in Syria and Iraq.

U.S. Ballistic Missile Sub Makes Conspicuous Port Call in Gibraltar

June 29 (EIRNS)—An Ohio-class nuclear ballistic missile submarine, the [USS Alaska](#), made a port call in Gibraltar yesterday for what the U.S. Navy said was a “brief stop” that “strengthens cooperation between the United States and the United Kingdom-Gibraltar, and demonstrates U.S. capability, readiness, flexibility, and continuing commitment as part of NATO.”

What makes this port call notable is that Ohio-class nuclear ballistic missile submarines—which are armed with 20 nuclear-tipped Trident ballistic missiles—making port calls anywhere is highly unusual. Unlike attack submarines, they typically go out on patrol from their home bases and stay submerged until they return from their patrols an average of three months later.

COVID-19 AND FAMINE

Beasley Calls on Billionaires for Funding To End Starvation

June 29 (EIRNS)—Over the weekend, World Food Program Director David Beasley sent out a tweet, reiterating his frequent call on billionaires to step up to meet the \$6 billion more needed this year to roll back hunger and prevent starvation. But this time he named names. He included in his tweet the June 26 CNN video story, “Bezos vs. Branson: Billionaires Battle Over Being First in Space.” Beasley tweeted June 26:

“Hey, Richard Branson, Elon Musk and Jeff Bezos, so excited to see you compete on who gets to space first! BUT, I would love to see you TEAM up together to save the 41 million people who are about to starve this year on Earth! It only takes \$6 billion. We can solve this quickly!”

The financial worth of these three, according to Global Citizen: Branson, \$6.3 billion; Musk, \$165.9 billion; and Bezos \$192.6 billion.

GREEN NEW DEAL

Nebraska Governor Ricketts Orders His State Agencies To Resist Biden’s Green Executive Orders

June 29 (EIRNS)—Nebraska Gov. Pete Ricketts held a press conference June 24, announcing several orders he has given for Nebraska agencies to refrain from carrying out Biden Administration green measures. Ricketts was joined by others, including commissioners from several of the 93 counties in the state, which have passed resolutions against the 30×30 order in Section 216 of Biden’s Executive Order 14008, which states that 30% of U.S. land and water must be taken out of any and all economic use by 2030.

Ricketts ordered the state’s agriculture department to publicize which local governments have taken positions for or against this 30×30 rule. He has ordered state agencies, under control of the governor’s office, to stop providing any funding or staff time for any projects involving permanent conservation easements, which are partly the means by which the 30×30

federal order can be carried out. Ricketts also put an 18-month hold on state protections for newly declared endangered species, and some other measures.

Ricketts' action shows the continued mobilization underway in the Western and farm states against the federal green initiatives. He has been holding town hall events across his state. With Ricketts and the county commissioners June 24 was Margaret Byfield, head of the Texas-based American Stewards of Liberty, who has been speaking widely against the 30×30 dictate, mostly stressing that it is a breach of personal property rights, as a land grab. She advocates local control.

Senate Passed a Starter Version of EU Green 'Carbon Farming' Order

June 29 (EIRNS)—The U.S. Senate passed the “Growing Climate Solutions Act” on June 24 by a vote of 92-8, which mandates that the U.S. Department of Agriculture facilitate the certification of rates of CO₂ capture in farmland soil, so farmers can cash in on the volunteer carbon-credits market. The bill now goes to the House of Representatives.

The USDA is to see that middlemen certification outfits verify farm soil practices and then nice, big companies like Microsoft, Danone, and Pepsico, will pay the farmer for the middleman's carbon capture, then the nice company can go out and sell and speculate on the new “financial instrument.”

This crazed practice has support from right, left, and center, including some 75 groups ranging from commodity and related organizations, such as the Farm Bureau and the National Farmers Union, to the World Wildlife Fund and the Nature Conservancy.

The bait for the farm organizations and for the average farmer is: You have cared for and built up your soils all along, so it's about time you finally get something back for it. We all know that CO₂ is bad and the sky is falling, don't we?

To make it palatable, a new Advisory Council is to be established by the USDA to include farmer participation. Farm Bureau President Zippy

Duvall said in a press release, that farmers are to be “respected as partners who can build on our strong foundation of environmental stewardship.”

This green swindle in the U.S. is a customized version for Americans of the “Carbon Farming” scheme put out earlier this year by the EU European Commission.

UNITED STATES POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC

Victoria ‘Maidan’ Nuland Mucking Around in South and Central America

June 29 (EIRNS)—Undersecretary of State for Political Affairs Victoria Nuland is leading a delegation of State Department, National Security Council, and Southern Command personnel to three Ibero-American nations—Paraguay, Panama, and El Salvador—to peddle the democracy, human rights, and regime-change mantra that is the mainstay of U.S. foreign policy. Along the way, she announced that the U.S. will be supplying Paraguay with 1 million doses of Pfizer vaccine against COVID-19, with more to go to Peru and Colombia. All well and good. But Nuland, a key architect of the 2014 Nazi coup in Ukraine, offered only lectures on climate change and fighting corruption and nothing in terms of actual assistance to help the COVID-devastated nations of the region rebuild their economies.

Why visit Paraguay? A couple of months ago, there were rumblings that this nation, the only one in South America to maintain ties with Taiwan, might be considering breaking with Taiwan and establishing diplomatic relations with China. This arose around the issue of Paraguay’s need for vaccines. The rumors caused such alarm in Washington, that Secretary of State Tony Blinken called President Mario Abdo Benítez to assure him of the undying U.S. support and its commitment to supplying aid and strong economic cooperation. It’s no surprise, then, that in her press conference after meeting with Abdo Benítez, Nuland gushed that “Paraguay’s strong relations with Taiwan set an example for the world and for the region,” EFE news service reported June 28.

While ordering Paraguay to get its act together on fighting corruption, drug-trafficking, and money-laundering, Nuland emphasized that “our two countries agree on freedom, governance, and human rights. Wherever there are threats, we stand firm, especially in this hemisphere regarding Venezuela and Nicaragua.” Interestingly, Foreign Minister Euclides Acevedo, who does not belong to Abdo Benítez’s Colorado Party, expressed the hope that an “intelligent agreement” could be reached on Venezuela, possibly within the structure of the Organization of American States.

Today, Nuland is in Panama, where she met with President Laurentino Cortizo and other government officials, focusing on combatting COVID and climate change, “joint development of the region,” security matters, migration, etc. She will meet with business and private sector leaders to discuss how they can participate in bringing “prosperity to the whole region,” based on the unworkable economic policies proposed by the U.S. Nuland will then travel to El Salvador, whose President Nayib Bukele is in the State Department’s crosshairs, because of his rebellion against the “rules-based order” which demands El Salvador’s destruction.

Tributes to the Late Sen. Mike Gravel, ‘An American Hero’

June 29 (EIRNS)—RT June 28 reported that it has received a “flood” of tributes to former [Sen. Mike Gravel](#), 91, who passed away on June 26 at his California home. RT quotes messages from several bloggers and anti-war groups recalling Gravel’s courage in opposing “forever wars” as seen in his 1971 reading of the Pentagon Papers on the floor of the Senate. One commentator called him “a true American hero.” Glenn Greenwald described him as “unique and heroic, working to end the draft that fed the Vietnam War.” RT provides a short clip of that reading and Gravel’s own comments on what he was feeling at the time, recounting that he was overcome with emotion as he read, “not because of patriotism but because something that you love dearly has gone astray.”

Also included is a clip from the famous presidential candidates’ debate of 2007 in which Senator Gravel stood on the stage with the “top tier” of

candidates—Barack Obama, Joe Biden, and Hillary Clinton—and proclaimed “they frighten me,” because they were all prepared to go to war with Iran using nuclear weapons. If I’m elected President, he said, “there will be no preemptive war with nuclear devices. To my mind it’s immoral, and it’s been immoral for the last fifty years as part of American foreign policy.”

A tweet from [Moderate Rebels](#), the podcast by Max Blumenthal and Ben Norton, read, “Mike Gravel, one of the few anti-war U.S. politicians has tragically passed away. RIP” It posted clips from a 2019 interview that started with Gravel saying: “Kill one person and it’s murder, kill a million and it’s foreign policy.”

COLLAPSING WESTERN FINANCIAL SYSTEM

What the Fed Hath Wrought: Wealthiest Dominate U.S. Consumer Spending

June 29 (EIRNS)—The *Washington Post* in a June 27 article reported that at this point in the 70%-consumer-spending U.S. economy, 40% of consumer spending is coming from households making more than \$120,000/year. During a pandemic-driven economic collapse that took blue-collar workers’ hours and wages and retail workers’ jobs, Americans as a whole were nonetheless able to save \$2.5 trillion more than in any recent year. Because of the Treasury’s stimulus payments, but much more because of the Federal Reserve’s curated stock market boom, the wealthiest 10% of American households added more than \$8 trillion to their net worth during 12 months of pandemic (March 2020-March 2021), according to the Federal Reserve itself.

High-income consumer spending is now up 11% from pre-COVID levels, growing at the fastest pace since 1946. The *Post* quotes a Harvard “inequality economist”: “Higher-income folks are accumulating a lot of savings. They will spend more going forward, and that will further create an incentive for companies to cater to higher-income folks even more.”

That the central banks are the driver of this, is emphasized by Bank of America economists in a report described by Zero Hedge. It says central banks have bought \$900 billion of financial assets per hour for 15 months straight, causing “epic gains in stocks and commodities in the past 15 months relative to 100 years of history.” Global stock market “capitalization” (i.e., stock price) has risen by \$54 trillion in that time.

Average (not median) housing prices over multiple countries—U.S., U.K., New Zealand, Canada, Australia, and in Scandinavia—have risen by nearly 30% from May 2020 to May 2021, with the biggest banks and fund managers, and the wealthy, doing the buying.

All this is diametrically opposed to a policy which would have made investment to save lives, creating and restoring productive employment as the priority in fighting the pandemic.