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EDITORIAL

Kiev's Party Is Over—As Are Washington's 'Two Parties'

Oct. 5, 2023 (EIRNS)—The events in the U.S. House of Representatives and the Canadian House of Commons over the last two weeks have left the political prognosticators and spin-doctors lying in a ditch on the side of the road. The reality they've been avoiding is that there really is a massive, deadly financial cancer, and when such a cancer is left to metastasize, nasty and senseless wars ensue.

The assembled political leaders of Canada, frankly knowing that their guest, Ukraine's President Zelenskyy, appreciates neo-Nazis, feted him with a 98-year-old actual volunteer of the Nazis' Waffen-SS—not unlike when a member of the British Royal Family, in this case, Prince Harry, thinks it's kinky to dress up in a Nazi uniform, complete with swastika, for a January 2005 costume party.

And what is sweeping over the U.S. House of Representatives? Of course, there are silly, pedestrian pseudo-explanations about budget-cutting, war fatigue, personal rivalries, egos, power struggles and such. Rep. Matt Gaetz may not have a clue, as yet, as to how an agro-industrial nation creates long-term credit for specific and large-scale scientific and infrastructure projects, but he's been abundantly clear as to why—in the face of a \$33 trillion debt and the \$2.2 trillion/year increases, and the reality of nations rallying to join the BRICS in production and trade agreements outside of the failing dollar system—business as usual in Washington had to stop. The so-called “chaos” he was charged with creating in Congress pales in comparison to the actual chaos facing the country.

If you are completely unaware of what he has clearly stated, blame it on what occurred 37 years ago. One might properly cite October 6, 1986, as the day the United States went deaf, dumb, and blind. The deployment that day of over 400 armed officers of the DOJ, the FBI, the IRS and others in a physical assault on the movement of Lyndon LaRouche certainly had the

chilling effect of ending public discussion of the growing financial cancer or of implementing the American System as the way out of the mess.

It is not just the U.S. Congress that discovered they could just say “no” to more billions for Ukraine. In the last 24 hours, the news has Slovakia stopping military aid, Germany not sending their long-range Taurus missiles, and Poland stopping not just military, but also civilian aid to Ukraine. How else do countries communicate to Kiev that the party is over, it is time to negotiate?

The Chicago Council on Global Affairs survey quantifies the collapse in support by Americans for further military assistance to Ukraine. And, retroactively, now 61% of Republicans and 29% of Democrats think the military aid already given was “not justified.” Perhaps more significant, yesterday’s Gallup poll has 63% of Americans who now think that “a third major party is needed,” as the Democratic and Republican Parties are out of touch; and 47% of Americans now would consider voting for a third-party Presidential candidate.

Kiev’s party is over. Hopefully Ukrainians may celebrate in the near future. The Mutt and Jeff act of the Democrat/Republican “two-party” system—or as LaRouche famously tagged it, the “two potty” system—has been functionally dead for quite a while. Hopefully an independent citizens’ movement may provide a proper funeral in the near future. But the dynamic that, in its own way, just swept over both Ottawa and Washington, is not going away. It were well that a great moment in history did not find a little people.

To that end, enjoy Wednesday’s dialogue with Helga Zepp-LaRouche: [“Diplomacy or Total War? You Choose! There Is No Third Option.”](#)

- Watch [Harley’s Updates](#) with Harley Schlanger on Friday, October 6, 2023: Every weekday morning on The LaRouche Organization, Schlanger will give you the strategic briefing you need to start your day.

SCIENCE & INFRASTRUCTURE

Russia's VTB Bank Backing Railway from St. Petersburg to Indian Ocean

Oct. 5, 2023 (EIRNS)—Russia's government-backed VTB Bank is working to raise financing for the International North-South Transport Corridor (INSTC) that links St. Petersburg on the Baltic Sea with Mumbai, on the Indian Ocean. The bank issued a statement today, that “We estimate that the International North-South Transport Corridor can become one of the main transportation routes of Eurasia, providing an alternative to the Suez Canal, among other things, and opening up new economic opportunities for trade relations between the countries of the Global South.”

The statement said VTB is ready to finance a feasibility study for the project that will be presented to Russian and international investors. Furthermore the Russian government has approved VTB's proposal to establish a project-management office for the development of the corridor, which will collect and analyze information pertaining to the construction of a 1,520-mm gauge railway all the way to the Iranian ports, and put together proposals to ensure uninterrupted freight traffic along the corridor's rail route.

STRATEGIC SHOWDOWN

No German 'Taurus' Missiles to Ukraine

Oct. 5, 2023 (EIRNS)—The German daily *Bild*, citing unnamed official sources, reports that the government has decided not to send its long-range Taurus missiles to Ukraine in the foreseeable future. While Berlin has not yet formally notified Kiev about its decision, it is clear to those within the government that deliveries won't happen for the time being.

The lack of a public announcement may leave the option open for German Chancellor Olaf Scholz, but *Bild* claims that the likelihood of such a decision is low. It notes, according to TASS, that Taurus missiles could be used to hit the Crimean Bridge, that Russia built uniting the peninsula to

mainland Russia, after Crimea voted in 2014 to reunify with the Russian Federation.

Moscow Forecasts Political Fragmentation in West Over Backing Kiev

Oct. 5, 2023 (EIRNS)—Panic is spreading across both the U.S. and Europe in the wake of the ouster of U.S. House Speaker Kevin McCarthy, and they're noticing it in Moscow. "We have repeatedly said that according to our forecasts, fatigue from this conflict, from the absurd sponsorship of the Kiev regime, will grow in different countries, including the United States," Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov told reporters earlier this week, reported *The Hill*. "This fatigue will lead to the fragmentation of the political establishment."

Biden Vows More Weapons to Ukraine, Thinking It Makes the U.S. Look Good

Oct. 5, 2023 (EIRNS)—President [Joe Biden](#) intends to push ahead with U.S. support for the Kiev regime, regardless of the political fragmentation in Congress over the matter, as he made clear in response to reporters' questions on Oct. 4. The situation in the House if Representatives does worry him, he said, "but I know there are a majority of members of the House and Senate in both parties who have said that they support funding Ukraine. ... I'm going to be announcing very shortly a major speech I'm going to make on this issue and why it's critically important for the United States and our allies that we keep our commitment."

On continuing the flow of weapons to the Kiev regime, he suggested he could bypass Congress: "We can support Ukraine in the next tranche that we need, and there is another means by which we may be able to find funding for that. But I'm not going to get into that now."

Then he outlined his upcoming speech: "I'm going to make the argument that it's overwhelmingly in the interest of the United States of America that Ukraine succeed. I think that it's clear to the vast majority of the foreign policy community on both left and right that this has been a

valuable exercise for the United States of America to increase the support we have around the world.”

Jim Jordan, Candidate for House Speaker, Opposes U.S. Aid to Kiev

Oct. 5, 2023 (EIRNS)—Rep. Jim Jordan (R-OH), an announced candidate to replace ousted House Speaker Kevin McCarthy, said that he opposes any more U.S. aid to Ukraine. “The most pressing issue on Americans’ minds is not Ukraine, it is the border situation and crime on the streets, and everybody knows that,” he said yesterday, reported The Associated Press. Jordan was even more blunt to a CNN reporter. When asked if he would bring a Ukraine package to the floor if elected Speaker, he replied, “I’m against that.”

CNN went on to write that a pro-Kiev group that grades Republican lawmakers on their support for Ukraine has assigned a B grade to Rep. Steve Scalise of Louisiana, another candidate for Speaker (who has voted for previous assistance packages). It gave Jordan an F, the lowest grade, for his votes against Ukraine war funding.

Oklahoma Rep. Kevin Hern, who is reported to be considering running for Speaker, is also opposed. Biden, he said, needs to “sit down in a classified setting, and tell those of us that have not supported, for the same reason time and time again, [what] we want to know, what the American taxpayer dollars are going to and what’s the end game.”

CNN also writes that administration officials fear that an extended delay in providing new funding for Ukraine could lead to other nations to back off support, given the similar political pressures felt by other world leaders. CNN cites an unnamed European ambassador in Washington, who said that, if there are continuing doubts about U.S. funding and it slows, there will be cracks among the European supporters of Ukraine, and the anti-Ukraine forces in Europe will “rear their heads.”

NATO Crazy Calls for Nuclear Escalation Against Russia

Oct. 5, 2023 (EIRNS)—For those of you who thought there is no one crazy enough to risk nuclear Armageddon in a war against Russia, we present a

Sept. 29 article in *NATO Review* by [Gregory Weaver](#), a military strategist and former principal advisor to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. He makes the argument that NATO must be prepared for localized and “flexible” nuclear escalation with Russia.

The entire article is pervaded by a bizarre and inhuman logic, and expresses Weaver’s assumption that there is some tactical approach wherein the use of low-yield nuclear weapons could be used to win a nuclear chicken game against Russia. After asserting that Russia will soon resort to using nuclear weapons in order to cause NATO to back down and/or to splinter the Alliance, Weaver warns against the “perilously flawed assumption” that once one nuclear weapon is used it will rapidly escalate to a full-scale nuclear exchange. Weaver disagrees: “It is of course possible that limited nuclear use could lead to uncontrolled escalation, but it is by no means certain and may not even be likely.” He then says: “This flawed assumption may lead to a flawed prescription: to rely primarily on the threat of uncontrolled nuclear escalation to deter Russian nuclear use at any level....”

In other words: NATO must be prepared to escalate against Russian nuclear attacks, otherwise Russia will take advantage of our fear and will attempt to “split the Alliance in a future crisis or conflict with acceptable risk that NATO will not respond.” Instead, Weaver calls for a NATO preparation in all areas of nuclear capability, what he calls a “Flexible Response” strategy. This includes forward-deployed tactical nuclear weapons, as well as conventional military buildup. In addition, NATO must be able to continue operating in a “limited nuclear use environment,” as well as be prepared to counter a Russian nuclear strike.

If that hasn’t alarmed the humanity within you yet, Weaver then says cites Thomas Schelling’s 40- to 50-year-old recommendation for “competition in risk-taking” that creates a “threat that leaves something to chance.” Schelling is famous for applying game theory logic to the field of nuclear war, in what Schelling called “rational irrationality.” These kinds of madmen games led to Schelling’s contribution of such ideas as “controlled

escalation” and “punitive bombing,” and therefore took the cover of being defensive or peace-oriented solutions to war.

While one might be tempted to say that Dr. Strangelove has entered the building, it is unfortunately far more likely that he has been here the whole time.

Russian Crazy Also Pushes for Nuclear Escalation

Oct. 5, 2023 (EIRNS)—Prominent Russian armchair strategist Sergey Karaganov apparently has taken on a personal mission to convince the Russian government and society to dump its current restrictive nuclear doctrine, and go for preemptive nuclear war. He launched this campaign in a June 13 article, “[A Difficult But Necessary Decision](#),” and a [follow-up on June 27](#), proposing that Russia might launch nuclear strikes on Europe to restore “the fear of atomic escalation” and thus “save humanity from a global catastrophe.” His proposal set off a firestorm of opposition, but the option was on the table. He escalated on Sept. 26, with a new lengthy article, “[How To Prevent a Third World War](#),” in *Russia in Global Affairs*, more lunatic than the previous ones.

Karaganov, well-connected with the Western elite for decades (on the New York Council on Foreign Relations International Advisory Board 1995-2005, and the Trilateral Commission 1997-2013) insinuates that fervent Russian critics of his strategy could be “defeatists who have not yet fled Russia but who nonetheless hate the country.”

But his starting premise mirrors the utopian delusions of his erstwhile Western buddies: That “the automatic escalation from limited nuclear weapon use to a global thermonuclear conflict is a myth.” The British Monarchy’s Chatham House assumes that Russia will back down, when it comes to a nuclear showdown; Karaganov declares NATO’s Article 5 to be “a bluff.”

His view of mankind is likewise Hobbesian. Even in “a fairer world” order, there will be “new giants” which will inevitably compete. “The

intensification of the nuclear factor with the terror it instills is necessary to prevent the inevitable rivalry from escalating into hostilities,” he believes.

Karaganov admits that “discussing specific scenarios for using nuclear weapons is clearly above my paygrade, since I am not even familiar with our capabilities or those of our adversaries, including potential ones.” No matter. He blithely argues that “if nuclear weapons will have to be used (God forbid), the strike should be of a sufficiently large proportion.” Too small a limited exchange of nuclear weapons would only reduce their “deterrent” effect.

The “practical steps to consider” that he offers include:

“Washington’s hawks and U.S. society must understand that retribution for their reckless and aggressive policy is inevitable. To achieve this, it is necessary, first, to promptly lower the threshold for the use of nuclear weapons in our doctrine, which was blithely if not irresponsibly raised, and second, to cautiously but decisively move up the ladder of escalation-deterrence, convincing both ourselves and the adversary of our readiness—if it does not work, and the West does not retreat or revise its policy—to resort to the use of a few nuclear weapons against several countries in Europe....

“If, as some high-ranking Western experts are bluffing (and their arguments are being echoed by our experts), the U.S./West attacks the Russian armed forces with nonnuclear means ‘in retaliation’ to our preemptive use of nuclear weapon, the adversary must be warned privately through corresponding military-technical channels and publicly that a second wave of nuclear strikes against the European countries will follow. If, as some of our experts believe, the Americans can forget and sacrifice their allies and continue the aggression, then Washington must be warned that nuclear strikes will follow against U.S. bases in Europe, resulting in the deaths of tens of thousands of American servicemen....” And so forth.

Slovakia Suspends Military Aid to Ukraine

Oct. 5, 2023 (EIRNS)—Slovakia’s President Zuzana Caputova, according to Interfax, today cited the outcome of the Sept. 30 parliamentary elections, won by the Smer-SSD party of former Prime Minister Robert Fico, to put a stop to approval of another military assistance package for Ukraine. On Oct. 2, she had asked Fico to try to form a government, leaving the existing caretaker government without authority to approve a policy the election winners oppose. The Defense Ministry was considering the possibility of another military assistance package for Ukraine, and the outgoing technocratic government of Ludovit Odor could have tried to provide it, but Caputova opposed the plan and described such a scheme as “disrespect for the voters.”

Caputova’s spokesman, Martin Strizinec, explained that the President thus “showed respect for the outcome of democratic elections,” since the Smer-SSD, or Direction, had promised voters “not to give a single round to Ukraine.” Caputova believes that disregard for the stance of Smer-SSD, along with “some other” parties, “would set an unfortunate precedent.”

COLLAPSING WESTERN SYSTEM

Israel Proclaims Canada Must Come to Terms with ‘Historic Sin’ of Harboring Nazis

Oct. 5, 2023 (EIRNS)—Israel’s Special Envoy for Combating Anti-Semitism Michal Cotler-Wunsh called for Canada to come to terms with its “historic sin” of excluding refugee Jews, while harboring Nazis in the aftermath of World War II.

Cotler-Wunsh argued that the resignation of Anthony Rota as Canada’s Speaker of the House of Commons, who had introduced Ukrainian Nazi Waffen SS soldier Yaroslav Hunka as a “war hero” against Russia, during the Sept. 22 visit of President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, was only a “first step to acknowledging responsibility for this wrong.” Now Canada has to admit to its policy of not allowing enough Jews to cross its borders during and after the Holocaust, while welcoming Nazis. “Nearly 2,000 documented

Nazis ... immigrated to the country following WWII and built lives, at the same time as the immigration policies towards Jewish victims was ‘none is too many.’ ”

She pointed out that such incidents demonstrate the need for “comprehensive education on anti-Semitism then and now, on the Holocaust and on the history of WWII.” The “very possibility” of such a scandal undermines Canada’s commitment to ensure that tragedies like the Holocaust are never repeated, as well as its ability to “identify present threats.”

Cotler-Wunsh is the daughter of Canada’s former Justice Minister Irwin Cotler, who last week called on the government to unseal documents related to suspected Ukrainian Nazi war criminals in Canada that were classified, when Canada’s “Commission of Inquiry on War Criminals” issued their report in 1986. He had told Canada’s CTV broadcaster: “This was a failure here of indifference and inaction by successive Canadian governments, the result being that we became a sanctuary for Nazi war criminals, and no accountability would then ensue.”

British historian Mark Felton has produced a short, revealing video on the British postwar policy to bring members of Ukraine’s 14th SS Galizien division—which would have included Hunka—into its colony of Canada. He demands to know “why are they today considered national heroes of Ukraine?”

While many Jewish organizations have spoken out, the Anti-Defamation League, whose slogan is “Fighting Hate for Good,” has maintained a curious silence for 14 days and counting.

Canada’s Deputy Prime Minister Freeland and the Ukrainian Nazi Scandal

Oct. 5, 2023 (EIRNS)—How far will Canada’s Deputy Prime Minister Chrystia Freeland go to stop any inquiry into how Ukrainian Nazi Waffen-SS volunteer Yaroslav Hunka ended up being honored in front of Canada’s Parliament, as it was welcoming Ukraine’s President Zelenskyy? Freeland,

now Finance Minister and former Foreign Minister, has been Canada's closest link to the Kiev regime, to the 2014 Maidan coup, and to Zelenskyy. It would be startling if she had not been involved in the staging of his visit. Further, Yaroslav Hunka had revealed that he had joined the Waffen-SS's Galizien Division due to the call of the Nazi occupation controlled Ukrainian Central Committee. That call was published by Freeland's grandfather, Michael Chomiak, whom the Nazis chose as editor of their leading Ukrainian-language newspaper, *Krakivski Visti*.

It is not determined yet how far Freeland will go, but the April 5, 2018 story told by the *Toronto Star* is a pretty good guide. The background is that, in the weeks after Freeland's meteoric rise had made her Foreign Minister in January 2017, Canadian papers had challenged Freeland's whitewashing of her maternal grandfather's Nazi past. (They had actually used the 1996 research of Freeland's uncle, John-Paul Himka, research that Freeland obviously knew.) She simply launched a smokescreen, warning one and all of "Russian disinformation"—after all, that was the soup du jour in 2017 North America. However, Russia's Embassy in Ottawa denied that they were providing such disinformation. In late March 2018, Canada's Foreign Ministry expelled four Russian diplomats under the excuse from Foreign Minister Freeland that they had used their diplomatic status "to interfere in our democracy." No other explanation and her office was not forthcoming.

The *Toronto Star* related that Defense Minister Harjit Sajjan, in a CBC interview, had said that he had to stay mum on the expulsions for reasons of national security. Nobody else in Ottawa would talk. Then the *Star* reported that, on April 4, 2018, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau finally admitted that the Russians were being punished for exposing that Freeland's grandfather was a Nazi collaborator during the Second World War.

It is more than likely that Chrystia Freeland has the motive and the means to cover for a Nazi element in Canada and in Ukraine. She should not be provided the opportunity.

Poland Announces End to Financial Aid for Ukrainian Refugees

Oct. 5, 2023 (EIRNS)—The reaction in Poland—particularly to the attempt by Ukraine’s President Volodymyr Zelenskyy before the UN General Assembly on Sept. 19, to paint Poland’s defense of its farmers as effectively working on the side of the Russians—seems unrelenting. President Andrzej Duda had described Poland’s situation with Kiev: “Everyone who has ever participated in saving a drowning person knows that a drowning man is extremely dangerous,” that from “personal fear, the influence of adrenaline,” he can “simply drown the rescuer.” Poland then announced that there would be no new military aid from Warsaw. Then, on Oct. 2, Foreign Minister Zbigniew Rau declared that it “will require titanic efforts” to address the rift between Ukraine and Poland.

Now Polish government spokesperson Piotr Müller has continued the barrage. First, on Oct. 3, he stressed that Warsaw has no desire to sacrifice its national interests for Ukraine, and predicted that relations between the two countries would be “difficult” in the near future. Then, when asked yesterday in an interview, whether Poland will continue its aid to Ukrainian refugees in Poland, he replied: “These decisions, which were adopted after the start of the war, are temporary, and that’s all I can say.” But he went on to explain that the mass flight of Ukrainians in February and March of 2022 has passed and that, therefore, financial assistance will be phased out, when the legislation expires in the first quarter of next year.

U.S. POLITICAL & ECONOMIC

Americans’ Support for Ukraine Dropping, They Want a Third Party

Oct. 5, 2023 (EIRNS)—The Chicago Council on Global Affairs conducted a survey, reports TASS, which shows the precipitous collapse in the U.S. of support for Ukraine. The poll reported that a full 45% of respondents think that the military assistance to Ukraine so far was “not justified.” This included 61% of Republicans and (revealingly) 29% of Democrats.

The results also point to the overall collapse in support for further military assistance to Ukraine. The support amongst Republicans for

sending more weapons, which was 80% in March 2022 and 68% in July 2022, is now down to 50%. Democratic support has only dropped marginally, from 83% in March 2022 to 77% presently.

In a related development, a Gallup poll released Oct. 4 found that 63% of Americans think “a third major party is needed,” because the Democratic and Republican parties are doing “such a poor job.” Republicans had the largest increase, with 58% now saying they want another choice, up from 45% last year. Gallup reports that 47% of Americans say they would consider voting for a third-party in next year’s presidential elections.

Making a Wave Out of the Chaotic Churn in Congress

Oct. 5, 2023 (EIRNS) —The accusation by Rep. Matt Gaetz (R-FL) and others, that Speaker Kevin McCarthy (R-CA) had made a secret deal with President Joe Biden to revive new military aid to Ukraine, was not the cause of McCarthy’s ouster on Oct. 2. Nor was the volatility of the GOP caucus new: The two previous Republican Speakers, John Boehner and Paul Ryan, had both resigned before they could be “vacated” from the job.

The strong shock to NATO’s Ukrainiacs was delivered by the Sept. 30 vote for a 45-day continuing resolution (CR), which allowed no new military aid to Ukraine—and not by McCarthy ouster. Moreover, a relationship between the removal of the very mediocre Speaker McCarthy and the Sept. 30 CR vote is not clear. What Gaetz has made clear, as sponsor of the move to “vacate the chair,” is the relationship between his action and ongoing U.S. economic self-destruction.

Consider what happened: On Sept. 30, a 126-90 majority of Republicans and all but 1 Democrat voted for a CR which clearly deleted any new Ukraine aid, at least for 45 days. What “stunned official Washington,” commented Politico, was that House Democrats all backed it. Then Joe Biden, on Oct. 1, said he expected “Speaker McCarthy to keep his commitment to secure passage and support needed” to fund Ukraine militarily. This highly public Presidential claim of a “commitment” or “secret promise” by McCarthy to Biden, was as suspect as Biden himself. It made for a good incendiary device under McCarthy’s chair.

What then? The same Democrats who had just voted unanimously for McCarthy's CR with no Ukraine aid, voted unanimously on Oct. 2 to oust McCarthy "because he broke his promise" to Biden. It was claimed that Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) was "whipping" them, although on the day of the vote she was in California at a viewing for the late Sen. Dianne Feinstein. It appears likely that McCarthy was ousted at Biden's instigation, for the sin of putting up a 45-day CR with no new Ukraine aid, and the sin of Ukraine President Zelenskyy not being allowed to address the House. But the ousting of McCarthy by unanimous Democrats prevented McCarthy, or anyone else, from carrying out the supposed "promise" to the White House to put up a Ukraine aid supplemental immediately!

Effect on the Republicans was nil. The half-dozen or so Republican Freedom Caucus members who would have voted to vacate the chair before Biden's "promise" statement, voted for it afterward. But others among the strongest opponents of U.S. military aid to Ukraine—Republicans Marjorie Taylor Greene, Jim Jordan, Lauren Boebert, Kevin Herd, for example—supported McCarthy by voting against "vacating the chair." And by the way, these four opponents of NATO's war had also voted against the Sept. 30 continuing resolution which denied new aid to Ukraine.

As *EIR Daily Alert* reported in its Oct. 3 issue, Rep. Matt Gaetz made one very clear statement, that the developments driving the rapidly growing ferment among Members of Congress were the continuing \$2 trillion-plus deficits every year out to 2030, the downgrades of U.S. debt, Federal Reserve insanity, the resulting de-dollarization, the rise of the BRICS—all these were causing the Congressional chaos for which he was accused (which, though he didn't say it, also fosters Executive dictatorship).

Amid these chaotic swells striking the shores of Congress, there are powerful "whitecaps" of opposition to NATO's war and to the U.S. permanent-war defense budget. We want that to become a massive wave.