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EDITORIAL

Your Life, and Mankind's Existence, Depend on Global Mobilization for Modern Health Facilities in Every Nation

May 15 (EIRNS)—There have been other moments like the current one in the history of Western civilization.

In the 1330s, Europe fell into general warfare, and within a decade the Black Death, Bubonic Plague, swept through the entire region, wiping out 20 million people, one-third of the population—and yet the wars raged on.

In 1914, the nations of Europe had formed into blocs, threatening each other with war, but not expecting war to break out. Of course, it did, and another 20 million souls were needlessly sacrificed to Mars, the God of War. Although the war was ending in 1918, yet another plague, the so-called Spanish Flu, broke out among the soldiers and the immiserated civilians among the wreckage of war, and soon 500 million people—one-third of the world's population—became infected with the virus, with 50 million dead worldwide.

Are we walking, morally self-blindfolded, into yet another world war, this time with a deadly pandemic already in progress, brought on by decades of “little” wars and economic decay? Why did the populations of the 1330s and 1914 not foresee the horror of the wars and pandemics they were about to endure? You must ask yourself that question, and more importantly, reflect on your own actions, or non-actions, in the face of the crisis today.

The Schiller Institute Chairwoman Helga Zepp-LaRouche and former U.S. Surgeon General Dr. Joycelyn Elders initiated the Committee on the Coincidence of Opposites in June 2020, to address the global strategic and social crisis. The Committee released an emergency call on May 14, to all peoples and all nations, titled: “Global Health Security Requires Medical Infrastructure in Every Country—Major Industrial Nations Must Collaborate Now!” The call presents a picture of the drastic situation facing civilization today, stating: “our response to the pandemic, seen in these terms, is a question of existential importance to the human species. It requires the cooperation of all major industrialized nations. A new paradigm of coordination among the United States, China, Russia and others is central.”

It is no hyperbole to declare this an existential crisis. Again, ask yourself, what should the people of 1330 and 2014 have done, and what

must you do today? This is not a question of charity. It is not hand-outs, even food and medicine hand-outs—as desperately as that is needed—which can stop the onrushing holocaust. Decades—nay, centuries—of neglect of major portions of the human race, the looting of their resources by the colonial powers, the artificial debt slavery in the neo-colonial IMF/World Bank era, and now the endless regime change wars and sanctions imposed by decaying trans-Atlantic powers, frantically trying to prevent the emergence of China as a modern nation while demonizing Russia, accusing them both of “aggression” when they exercise their military forces within their own boundaries, while surrounded by nuclear armed, hostile forces from nations thousands of miles away.

Consider that the Director of the U.S. State Department’s Office of International Religious Freedom, Daniel Nadel, this week declared that the Chinese government had turned the entire region of Xinjiang into an “open-air prison.” Of course, all people of Xinjiang are free to come and go from Xinjiang, visitors from anywhere in the world are welcome. The Muslim people there have more mosques per capita than any other region in the world, while abject poverty has been eliminated. Compare that to Gaza, whose 2 million people, Muslims and Christians, have truly been held in an open-air prison, blockaded on all sides, lacking in electricity, food, and clean water for years, and now being bombarded daily, even high rise apartment buildings being demolished by bombs from a modern air force, leaving thousands dead or injured and many thousands homeless. The health system was already crushed by COVID-19, and is now unable to care for the wounded. The President and the Secretary of State of the United States commented only that “Israel has a right to self-defense.” What rung of Dante’s Inferno do such rulers have to look forward to?

Circulate the call from the Committee on the Coincidence of Opposites linked here to everyone you know, to your political representatives, to your unions and businesses. Without a modern health care system in every country, millions more will die, while the mutations which emerge from the uncontrolled spread, as in India today and Africa tomorrow, will render the vaccines being hoarded in the U.S. ineffective. Building a modern health

system in every country will require massive supplies of energy—precisely what the genocidal Green New Deal intends to prevent. It will require clean water sources and modern transportation. Only if the world’s leading nations come together, doing away with British imperial geopolitics once and for all, can such a massive new Renaissance come about. The alternative is unthinkable.

- Watch [Harley’s Updates](#) with Harley Schlanger on Monday, May 17, 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.

UNITED STATES POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC

Kerry Preaching Genocide in the Vatican

May 15 (EIRNS)—John Kerry is in the Vatican, where he gave a keynote speech at a closed-door meeting of the Pontifical Academy for Sciences and the Pontifical Academy for Social Sciences on May 14. He met the Pope today—see next report.

Kerry’s speech was not available, but the “concept note” for the meeting was titled “Dreaming of a Better Restart,” and described “the current crisis and global state of confusion” as the result of “the globalism of selfishness, exclusion and the throwaway culture.” Our wastefulness is the cause of the global crisis...

The panel Kerry addressed was titled “Fair Energy and Food System Transformation,” which the academies said would include a discussion about how “to mobilize public and private sector finance to drive the net-zero transition and to help vulnerable countries cope with climate impacts on their people’s health.”

Also speaking at the forum were Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen and IMF Managing Director Kristalina Georgieva. Yellen’s speech was released by the Treasury. Beside her normal pledge to cut off credit to

fossil fuels and productive enterprise, she said: “We are working with G20 nations to agree to a global minimum corporate tax rate that can stop the race to the bottom. Together we can use a global minimum tax to make sure the global economy thrives based on a more level playing field in the taxation of multinational corporations, and spurs innovation, growth and prosperity.” One more sovereign right of sovereign nations is going down the imperial hole.

Kerry was traveling to Rome, London and Berlin, May 13-19 to discuss ways to “ramp up action to stem climate change even before world leaders meet in Glasgow, Scotland, in November for COP26,” reported the Catholic News Service.

Genocidalist John Kerry Meets Satanist Pope Francis—They Get Along Well

May 15 (EIRNS)—The headline of the Vatican News today: “John Kerry: Pope Francis One of Greatest Voices on Climate Crisis.” Kerry gave the News an interview after his audience with Pope Francis.

Kerry said the Pope is “one of the great voices of reason and compelling moral authority on the subject of the climate crisis. He’s been ahead of the curve. He’s been a leader. His encyclical *Laudato Sí* is really a very, very powerful document, eloquent and morally very persuasive. And I think that his voice will be a very important voice leading up to and through the Glasgow conference, which I believe he intends to attend. So, we need everybody in this fight. All the leaders of the world need to come together and every country needs to do its part. And I think, I think His Holiness speaks with a moral authority that is quite separate. It’s unique and we need all the power we can bring to the table.”

We should recall that *Laudato Sí*, which *EIR* described as the “[Encyclical from Hell](#),” had as a controlling author, one Hans Joachim (Sir John) Schellnhuber, CBE, director emeritus of the Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research, who stated that the maximum number of human beings which can be sustained by “Mother Earth” is “less than 1 billion.”

See Paul Gallagher's report for *EIR* which quotes from the Pope's Encyclical as follows:

“Praise be to you, my Lord, through our Sister, Mother Earth, who sustains and governs us, and who produces various fruit with colored flowers and herbs,” the Encyclical opens.

“2. This sister now cries out to us because of the harm we have inflicted on her by our irresponsible use and abuse of the goods with which God has endowed her. We have come to see ourselves as her lords and masters [having been given “dominion” over her, is a better translation of the original into English—ed.], entitled to plunder her at will.”

Kerry reported that President Biden has pledged to reduce U.S. emissions “over the next decade by 50 to 52%. But we need other big emitting countries to step up and also offer some reductions. You can't just keep going along with a coal-fired power plant or with more coal coming online and really be the part of the solution that we need to have here.” This is of course not only a direct attack on China, but a call for death to Africa's population.

Kerry also gave the Pope some marching orders: “But because he is above politics and outside of the hurly-burly of day-to-day, national conflict, etc. I think he can sort of shake people a little bit and bring them to the table with a better sense of our common obligation. And I think that the Vatican may be a small entity, but the flock is enormous on a global basis and His Holiness Pope Francis, has the ability to help galvanize action from countries.”

STRATEGIC WAR DANGER

No Ceasefire, Says Netanyahu, Still More To Kill

May 15 (EIRNS)—Rumors abounded yesterday that a ceasefire, possibly brokered by U.S. envoy Hady Amr who arrived in Tel Aviv yesterday, might be in the offing, but the fighting continued overnight without letup. Barak Ravid reported in *Axios* yesterday that Israeli officials are concerned

the U.S. intervention will lead to increased pressure to stop their military operation. Ahead of Amr's visit, Secretary of State Tony Blinken spoke with both Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas—the first call to President Abbas from a cabinet-level official since Biden assumed office.

Netanyahu was hiding none of his bloodlust: “ Hamas leaders think they can escape my grasp. They cannot escape. We can reach them everywhere.”

The Israeli bombers have now demolished four high-rise buildings, claiming they are targeting Hamas. While some were residential, leaving hundreds of families homeless, the most recent was an office building which housed the AP office and other media, including Al Jazeera. Israel gave them an hour's notice to vacate, and again claimed Hamas had an office in the building. We will see if the Biden administration accepts the feeble excuse that Hamas had an office in the building.

A refugee camp was bombed. One house was demolished with ten people killed—two women and eight children, all from the same family.

Latest count was 139 Palestinians dead and 1,330 injured, while 10 Israelis have died,

In Gaza, the health system, already strained by the coronavirus pandemic, is on the edge of collapse. “ Before the military attacks, we had major shortages and could barely manage with the second (virus) wave,” said Gaza Health Ministry official Abdelatif al-Hajj by phone as bombs thundered in the background, AP reported (not long before the Israelis destroyed their offices). “ Now casualties are coming from all directions, really critical casualties. I fear a total collapse.” Gaza health authorities had counted 105,700 people infected with the virus and 976 deaths.

Chris Hedges Damns Israeli Bombing of Gaza, Not ‘Self-Defense,’ but a War Crime

May 15 (EIRNS)—Chris Hedges, who was the *New York Times* Bureau Chief in the Mideast or several years, speaks Arabic, and spent many weeks

living in Gaza, published an article in *ConsortiumNews* May 14 titled: “[Israel, the Big Lie](#).” The kicker reads: “Israel is not exercising the ‘right to defend itself’ in the occupied Palestinian territories. It is carrying out mass murder, aided and abetted by the U.S.” He describes the conditions in Gaza, long before the current mass bombing, as “the world’s largest open-air prison, where over 2 million Palestinians exist on the edge of starvation, struggle to find clean water and endure constant Israeli terror.... I know the crimes of the occupation—the food shortages caused by the Israeli blockade, the stifling overcrowding, the contaminated water, the lack of health services, the near constant electrical outages due to the Israeli targeting of power plants, the crippling poverty, the endemic unemployment, the fear and the despair. I have witnessed the carnage.”

Hedges continues: “Israel’s indiscriminate use of modern, industrial weapons to kill thousands of innocents, wound thousands more and make tens of thousands of families homeless is not a war: It is state-sponsored terror. And, while I oppose the indiscriminate firing of rockets by Palestinians into Israel, as I oppose suicide bombings, seeing them also as war crimes, I am acutely aware of a huge disparity between the industrial violence carried out by Israel against innocent Palestinians and the minimal acts of violence capable of being waged by groups such as Hamas.”

As to the U.S. role, Hedges writes: “The United States is not an honest broker for peace but has funded, enabled and defended Israel’s crimes against the Palestinian people. Israel is not defending the rule of law. Israel is not a democracy. It is an apartheid state.”

Hedges now hosts a political commentary program on RT.

China Seeks for UN Security Council Action on Gaza While U.S. Throws Up Roadblocks

May 15 (EIRNS)—China, together with Norway and Tunisia, had attempted to get a Security Council meeting on May 14 on the crisis in Palestine, but the U.S. opposed it. Already on May 10th, at the first emergency UNSC consultation on the situation, the Security Council was ready to issue a statement, but it was stopped by the U.S. saying it wanted

to give “diplomacy” time to let things wind down. And then again on May 12th, at a second emergency session of the UNSC, the members were ready to release a media statement and it was again stopped by the U.S. The Chinese UN representatives who now chair the Security Council are working overtime to try and get UN action on the situation, but the U.S. is putting up roadblocks. There will be another Security Council meeting held on Sunday, May 16, but it is unlikely that they will lead to a statement by the Security Council because of U.S. stonewalling.

This obstructionism by that great “protector of human rights” the United States was blasted by Chinese Foreign Ministry Spokeswoman Hua Chunying, who said that U.S. delays would lead to more violence, which it, in fact, has. “The U.S. claims to care about the human rights of Muslims,” Hua said in her briefing on May 14. “However, as the recent Israel-Palestine clashes swept a large number of Palestinian Muslims into war and sufferings, the U.S. turned a blind eye to their sufferings and even risked universal condemnation to stop the Security Council from speaking up on this. In the meantime, the U.S., together with a handful of its allies like the U.K. and Germany, held a meaningless meeting on the so-called Xinjiang-related issues falsely in the name of the UN based on lies and political prejudice. What is the true intention behind this political farce? The U.S. should know that the lives of Palestinian Muslims are equally precious.” This has exposed the U.S. hypocrisy with its “Xinjiang card.”

The irony of the situation was also underlined by the fact that the State Department’s Office of International Religious Freedom’s Daniel Nadel had labeled Xinjiang an “open-air prison,” a term that was first used—but in this case, quite accurately—to describe Gaza under Israeli control, a situation which the United States has done its best to totally whitewash on behalf of that other member of this “alliance of democracies,” Israel. This irony of this affair has also been aired extensively in the Chinese media.

COVID-19 AND FAMINE

***The Economist* Study Finds COVID Deaths Triple Reported Figure**

May 15 (EIRNS)—*The Economist* has conducted a study of “excess deaths” (the number of deaths over the average in earlier years during a certain period) during the COVID-19 pandemic, issuing a report claiming that the number of deaths from the virus are actually three or four times the officially reported number. Keeping in mind that *The Economist* is one of the premier publications of the British Empire’s inner elite, and that the study was done by extrapolating data which is not available in many countries, and “modeling” the figures, it is nonetheless worth considering that the results may be close to the truth. The report observes that the poorer countries with weak health systems do far less testing, and often get overwhelmed when the number of deaths spikes, as in India now. They estimate that the 3 million deaths reported worldwide at this point are more likely in the 7-13 million range.

Adding to the possibility of false reporting, the report claims that Russia has intentionally misreported by a factor of five in order to mislead the world.

The weekly writes that some countries, naming Australia, New Zealand and Norway, have a deficit of excess deaths, explaining that the masking and social distancing had resulted in greatly reduced flu deaths, even greater than the COVID deaths.

On India, they report the 4,000 deaths per day being reported could well be 20,000. They also report that some countries are even worse: Peru, they say, has 2.5 times more deaths per 1,000 citizens than India.

The higher death rate in some advanced countries is impacted by the fact that they have a higher percentage of older people, *The Economist* states.

THE NEW GLOBAL ECONOMIC ORDER

Africa Will Not Follow U.S. on Xinjiang Claims, Rwandan Scholar Says

May 15 (EIRNS)—An article by Gerald Mbanda, a journalist from the Rwandan paper *New Times*, wrote an article on “Why African Countries Support China Against the West on Human Rights,” in *Africa-China Review* this week. Mbanda stated that China has rejected U.S. claims about the Muslim Uighur population in Xinjiang and have refused to sign on to UN rebukes of China’s alleged human rights violations there. “Accusations against China of forced labor, forced sterilization, torture and genocide in Xinjiang region are wild allegations that are far from the reality according to African diplomats,” Mbanda writes. “In March, several African ambassadors accredited to China met in Beijing for the 7th ambassador lecture under the theme ‘Xinjiang in the Eyes of Africa Ambassadors to China.’ The African ambassadors observed that Western countries are hyping Xinjiang issues intentionally to attack China’s internal affairs as well as undermining China’s development.”

The article goes on that China had to impose tough measures against terrorism when there was a major upsurge in terrorist attacks.. But the West, which uses anti-terrorist measures when they are attacked, considers measures taken by other countries as human rights violations. He also writes how the gaggle of U.S. human rights organizations like Human Rights Watch and Amnesty International are continually used to intimidate countries that are perceived as a threat to imperial interests. “Africans have not yet forgotten the brutality and untold human rights violations inflicted on the African people during the slave trade and colonialism. Their resources were stolen in broad daylight by the same people who turn around and claim to lecture the world about human rights,” Mbanda wrote.

Mbanda praised the “bond of solidarity” between Africa and China and declared that African diplomats who have visited Xinjiang “testify that what they saw were people living in full enjoyment of their rights and

freedoms.” The article was also tweeted on May 14 by Foreign Ministry spokeswoman [Hua Chunying](#).

COLLAPSING WESTERN FINANCIAL SYSTEM

Turkey Power Station Shuts Down Electricity to Lebanon

May 15 (EIRNS)—Turkey’s Karpowership, the floating power station, which has been supplying Lebanon with 370 MW of electricity, shut down on May 14 over a payment dispute. The company says they have not been paid in 18 months and are owed over \$100 million. They claim the government has refused to discuss the issue. While the country has an installed capacity of 2200 MW, including the floating power stations, it is only producing 1300 MW because of the financial crisis.

Lebanon’s Finance Ministry said it had been notified by the Turkish firm and cited a lawmaker saying that Lebanon could face “total darkness” in case of a shutoff. It has made no public statement about any talks according to the Turkish *Hurriyet Daily News*. Lebanon has been in an economic disaster for the last year, while no significant external aid has come to the country.

SCIENCE AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Zhurong Rover Sends a Weibo Chat Message, ‘Nihao’ from Mars

May 15 (EIRNS)—Hello friends of the Earth: I am the Mars Rover Zhurong. Today, I took the “lander” to reach the surface of Mars. The landing site was in the preselected area of the southern Utopia Plain in the northern hemisphere of Mars. At this moment, everyone has been waiting for a long time!

At 1 o’clock in the morning today, the Tianwen-1 probe was de-orbited in its parked orbit and maneuvered until Mars entered orbit. At 4 o’clock, the landing patrol and the orbiter separated. After about 3 hours of flight, it entered the Martian atmosphere. After about 9 minutes of deceleration, hovering, obstacle avoidance, and buffering, it successfully soft-landed at

7:18 this morning in the pre-selected landing area. About 30 minutes after the two devices were separated, the orbiter ascended and returned to the parking orbit to provide relay communication for the landing patrol device.

At present, only 9 of the 21 Mars landing missions that have been carried out in the world have been successful, and the difficulty factor is extremely high! For a safe landing on Mars, in addition to choosing a landing area with a flat terrain, you must also choose appropriate weather conditions to avoid being disturbed by the huge dust storms on Mars. After flying around Mars for more than three months, I finally found the best landing spot. Geologists said that my soft landing area is likely to be an ancient ocean site, with high scientific value, and it is likely to achieve unexpected scientific results. But how to minimize the impact of Martian dust storms? Of course, I can't afford it, but I can hide! According to past Martian weather data, Martian dust activities are concentrated in the second half of the year. The northern hemisphere is the quietest during spring and summer. It was safest for me to choose to land in mid-May!

At present, I am still in the landing patrol device, carrying six scientific payloads including terrain camera, multispectral camera, subsurface detection radar, and magnetic field detector. After a short adjustment, I will leave the warehouse and conduct inspections. Looking forward to understanding Mars in all directions, and returning precious data and photos to everyone!

Love you all, Zhurong!

Xi Jinping Convenes Forum To Advance Huge 'South-to-North Water Diversion Project'

May 15 (EIRNS)—Chinese President Xi Jinping convened a symposium to expand the development of the mega South-to-North Water Diversion Project on May 14. The South-to-North Water Diversion Project is composed of three routes, an eastern, a middle and a western route, that carry water from the water-rich south to the water-poor north regions of China. “The project has transferred over 40 billion cubic meters of water, directly benefitting about 120 million people and playing important roles in

economic and social development and environmental protection,” Xinhua reported today.

The western route is now in the pre-construction stage and could add another 40 billion m³ water. Experts say it will balance growth potential among different regions. By 2035, provincial regions like Shanxi, Beijing, Tianjin, and Shandong will each face 1-3 billion m³ of water shortages, which can be expectedly relieved by the western route, said Wang Guangqian, an academician with the Chinese Academy of Sciences.

Also, the diverted water will likely help treat large expanses of desertified lands along the middle to upper reaches of the Yellow River. This water could even turn them into fertile farmlands covering around 100 million mu (1 mu=0.1647 acres).

The prospective economic yield from the future farmlands is greater than the cost of the western route project itself, according to Wang.

At the symposium, President Xi “stressed the need to analyze the new situation and tasks facing the South-to-North Water Diversion Project and push for the scientific planning and construction of the project to promote the effective and economical use of water resources.”

The central route of the South-to-North Water Diversion Project, 1,400 km, was presented as a model for the Transaqua water diversion project at the International Conference on Lake Chad in Abuja, Feb. 26-28, 2018. However, Transaqua, which is designed to replenish Lake Chad, will be 1,000 km longer and will transport 100 billion m³ of water.

CGTN Africa ran a technically accurate report on [Transaqua](#) on April 30, 2021, reflecting a renewed effort by Nigeria’s President Muhammadu Buhari and friends of the Schiller Institute to get the project moving after being stalled in the last two years.

More momentum has been added by the appointment of [Acheikh Ibn Oumar](#), a strong proponent of Transaqua, as Chad Minister for National Reconciliation. Ibn Oumar presented Transaqua at the June 13-14, 2015 international conference of the Schiller Institute in Paris.