

LaRouche Speaks To Russians on World Crisis

The following are excerpts from an interview of Lyndon LaRouche with Alexander Krutov, anchorman of the Russian TV program “Russky Dom,” on Dec. 12, 2001. Excerpts were aired on national Channel 3, the week of Jan. 7, 2002.

Krutov: Mr. LaRouche, would you tell us, what’s your view about the state of relations between the United States and Russia, especially after the events of Sept. 11?

LaRouche: Oh, I think perhaps many people in Russia don’t understand some aspects of this relationship, as I do. I strongly suspect that President Putin knows things of great importance which he has not felt at liberty to state publicly. And I would think it’s the responsibility of some others, such as myself, who do know some of these things, to make this knowledge public, which would help to eliminate certain dangerous frictions in U.S.-Russia relations at this time.

Krutov: What, in your view, should Russian people come to know, in order to have a better understanding of the current actions of the United States?

LaRouche: Well, let me say this: Let me speak very carefully, that I’m speaking as an American Presidential pre-candidate, who does know certain things; but I do not wish, on Russian soil, to interfere with the internal affairs of Russia. With that qualification, I can say certain things (some of these things have been said publicly by President Bush himself): That on Sept. 11, what happened was, that an attempted military coup d’état occurred inside the United States. And, as a result of a discussion which occurred between Presidents Putin and Bush, in the course of that morning, that was averted; and President Bush shut down a very dangerous escalation of a military scale—nuclear alert. And since that time, there have been good features to cooperation between Putin and President Bush, but there were also many defects in the relationship, which will have to be corrected.

[After a clarification of the Russian translation of this reply by LaRouche.] No, I concluded that it was a military coup. And I said so, at the moment it was occurring. And it was occurring.

Krutov: A military coup within the United States?

LaRouche: Absolutely. It was entirely inside the United States.

Krutov: But what kind of forces could there be, within the United States, behind such a coup?

LaRouche: Let me just explain one thing, which many peo-

ple in Russia will understand, who also have expertise in these matters of strategic nuclear problems.

When an attack is made, directly on the Pentagon of the United States, there is automatically a full-scale wartime nuclear alert put up. I would think the same thing would happen in Russia, in a comparable situation.

The complication is this: When this occurs, secondary and tertiary military command structures are activated, on the presumption that the President might be killed. And the only way that could be shut down, is for the President to order it shut down. And then you heard what President Bush said repeatedly about what happened to him, in the discussion with President Putin.

Remember, President Bush was flying to Offutt base, which is a second-strike base in the United States. Since that time, you’ve seen that the relationship between President Putin and President Bush, which was rather amiable from the beginning, has much improved. That is good. Some of the other things that have happened don’t please me, and I suspect they would not please President Putin either.

The problem is, we’re still in a very dangerous world situation. The people behind this problem are a group of Anglo-American groups, which want what’s called a “clash of civilizations”—war between Islam and other forces. I don’t think there were any Islamic forces of any significance involved in this, but nonetheless, there is a problem.

Krutov: So, you think that behind this tragedy were the Anglo-Americans, or the Americano-English, so to speak, that is, the Americans themselves, people from the West, rather than Islam?

LaRouche: Absolutely. However, you’ve got two problems; you’ve got two groups to consider. Running a military coup of the type that was attempted, is a very sophisticated operation, which involves a very tight conspiratorial command structure. But the world as a whole has seen what the larger group is, typified by Brzezinski. The world sees now, that there’s an attempt—on which I believe President Putin and Bush agree—to try to prevent the spread of the war now going on in Afghanistan, and elsewhere, to larger parts of the world. I’m not satisfied with what Secretary Powell is doing, or what General Zinni is doing—both of whom I respect in this matter—but we must solve this problem.

Krutov: President Bush has declared that the United States will withdraw from the ABM Treaty unilaterally. How do you assess this posture, considering the fact that Russia has been always advocated preservation of the ABM Treaty? . . .

LaRouche: . . . There is a proposal, which I’ve discussed with people in Russia, and so forth, on this, in which I have some expertise, as people in Russia know. What is now proposed, or has been proposed, as nuclear missile defense, is a hoax; it could never work. However, if Russia, on the basis of its scientific knowledge of the area, and the United States, and other nations were to agree, we could jointly, over a long



Part of the reason LaRouche's opinion on the U.S. withdrawal from the ABM Treaty is sought and discussed in Russia: He was the original author of Reagan's SDI offer, and always promoted U.S.-Russian cooperation on new principles of missile defense—as here, at 1993 summit.

period of time, develop new technologies, which could, in the future, deal with the threat of somebody throwing nuclear weapons. If the thing is being forced on Russia, by unilateral action of the United States, I consider that dangerous and bad. If Russia agrees, that's a different proposition.

Krutov: This is clear. But please tell me, do you support the unilateral withdrawal of the United States from the ABM Treaty, or not?

LaRouche: No.

Krutov: There is another question, which greatly concerns us in Russia at the present time—and I know this could be the subject of a long discussion, for many hours; I know that you have great expertise on this, and I would be glad to hear you give a lecture on the topic, but since in TV we have limited time, I would like to formulate concisely. The process of globalization, which concerns us at present: Do you think that it is being managed or directed by somebody, or is it a spontaneous process?

LaRouche: No, it's a conspiracy.

Krutov: Whose conspiracy?

LaRouche: Obviously those Anglo-American rentier-financier interests who, when the Soviet Union disintegrated, decided they could have a world empire.

It wouldn't work, and it'd be a disaster for all humanity. Not all criminals are competent.

Krutov: Do you think that this current process of globalization, is beneficial only to this group of people?

LaRouche: No, it's not beneficial to anyone. It's a piece of

idiocy. It won't work, but they believe it's beneficial. They're stupid enough to believe in it.

I could qualify that. The basis for creating credit is the modern, sovereign nation-state. Without protectionism, you cannot protect long-term investments, or long-term agreements. We're in the worst financial crisis in modern history. What we need is multipolar cooperation among sovereign nation-states, to rebuild the world economy.

Krutov: What do you see as the main danger of this globalization process?

LaRouche: The main danger is the New Dark Age of humanity, under present circumstances.

Krutov: You said that we are going into a very severe financial crisis, but the world financial system today is based on the U.S. dollar. Do you think that this dollar is an inflated monetary unit, a virtual dollar, which will collapse, and the entire financial system will collapse, followed by the collapse of all trade and economic relations?

LaRouche: We're now at the point that an instant collapse of the entire system, including the dollar, could occur at any time. Or it could be dragged out in an awful, prolonged process of some months.

Krutov: . . . Now there is another phenomenon: anti-globalism. Who are these anti-globalists? Who is financing them? What are they trying to accomplish? Aren't they being directed from the same center as the process of globalization itself?

LaRouche: Yes. For example, the key leader of the anti-globalization movement internationally is Edward Gold-

smith, a British citizen, a resident of France. He's been a high-ranking leader in Anglo-American intelligence services since the 1950s.

The way you run a nasty operation, particularly a British intelligence operation, is, you try to run both sides simultaneously. Goldsmith was the intellectual leader of what happened [at the July Group of Eight summit] in Genoa. He was sitting in Italy directing it.

Krutov: So it turns out that there is one body, one head, but two hands.

LaRouche: Yes, exactly. It's often that. I've studied a lot of these funny operations that went on in the past, particularly when the Soviet Union and the Anglo-Americans were in conflict, and this is the kind of games that were played.

Krutov: Fine. Also today, there is the idea that the whole [world] has united against international terrorism. So, what is this mythical notion—international terrorism? How do you understand what this means? What is it?

LaRouche: A bad fairy story. But there's a reason for it. Sometimes you have to find a reason for fairy stories, sometimes not.

In this case, the problem was, the President of the United States—who's opposed to bombing Iraq and other Arab countries—along with his faction in his government, used Afghanistan as a diversion from the issue of the Middle East crisis, which is the real danger at this time. But the people they're bombing, or accusing—not the ones they're bombing, but the people they're accusing—are the same people, that the same circles in New York and London were using against Russia in Central Asia a short time before this happened.

Krutov: So, it turns out that the whole world today is dancing to the music of this Anglo-American group, which has taken power worldwide. Is that how things are?

LaRouche: But there's a division. It's not a unified group. There's a big fight within it.

Krutov: Do you think that we have a world government, or not?

LaRouche: Oh no, we'll never have a world government. They may try to do it, but it won't work.

Krutov: But, if there were no world government, how could a process like globalization be run from some center?

LaRouche: Well, you had the Roman Empire, you had the Byzantine Empire, you had Venice, which was operating during a period from about 1000 A.D. until the middle of the 17th Century, as an international maritime financier power.

Krutov: Yes, and Venice also organized the Crusades. But then Venice was kind of a center. Doesn't that mean that there is some group of financiers and politicians, who get

together and make their decisions in common, unified decisions?

LaRouche: They meet constantly. What you're talking about in the United States, also in Britain (they're also in other parts of the world)—these are, on the one side, they're financier families, interests, not banks and others, but financier family interests. And then large law firms which are associated with them. I could give you a long list of names of Boston, New York, Washington, D.C., other places, London, and so forth—these people do represent a very powerful interest. They're a small minority. They don't have exclusive power, but they keep trying.

Krutov: They keep trying. What do you think will be the outcome of the events in the Middle East, between Palestine and Israel?

LaRouche: The only sane solution is a Palestinian state. If you look at what [Israeli Prime Minister] Yitzhak Rabin said, before he was assassinated, there is no way Israel could win that kind of war. It's a perpetual war. You have a small group in the Israeli military, and elsewhere, who, despite the fact that this is insane, from a military and every other standpoint, are determined to do it.

Krutov: Do you think that there may be a clash between the Western world and the East, or between Christianity and Islam?

LaRouche: I'm trying to do everything possible to prevent that, myself. I have, at this point—because of this crisis, my voice has been heard widely in Arabic, and other, Islamic, press. I hope we can stop it.

If we're successful in what President Putin most recently has attempted to do, in China, India, and elsewhere, and in Western Europe, we can stop this nonsense. My problem is, that at this stage, the United States government is not willing—even President Bush, who admires Putin, actually, quite frankly—to recognize the changes in economic policy which are needed to carry out the kind of mission, which President Putin has been working to develop, following what Prime Minister [Yevgeni] Primakov was doing earlier.

Krutov: . . . We wish you every success in your political activities, and we hope that you will win the Presidential campaign. America needs such people!

LaRouche: Thank you.

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