

# LaRouche vs. the Sept. 11 Coup and the “Clash of Civilisations”

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From 9:00 am to 11:00 am Eastern U.S. time on the morning of Sept. 11, 2001, during the precise hours that the attacks against the World Trade Centre and Pentagon were unfolding, U.S. 2004 Presidential pre-candidate Lyndon LaRouche was appearing live on the Jack Stockwell talk show of Radio KTKK in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Within minutes of the first strike, LaRouche predicted that Osama bin Laden would be held responsible for the carnage, but that an operation on that scale, with that degree of precision, could only have been coordinated by rogue elements within the military and security apparatus of the United States itself. The first thing President Bush should do, LaRouche said, would be to contact President Putin of Russia, to outflank what had been set in motion within the United States.

Unlike virtually everyone else in the world, LaRouche was not caught entirely by surprise. On August 24, he had issued a mass broadsheet in hundreds of thousands of copies throughout the United States, entitled “Jacobin Terror Aims at Washington, D.C.”, in which he forecast events of this type, and, more importantly, explained why they would be happening:

“The world is presently gripped by the biggest, most deep-going, most deadly financial and monetary crisis since Europe of the middle to late 14<sup>th</sup> Century. We are in a period in which economic and related circumstances have made the idea of regular modern warfare a sick joke, in which regional and other ‘little wars’, terrorism, political assassinations, and other forms of destabilizations, are leading items on the

agendas of many of the strategic planners. The financial and monetary crisis in its presently advanced stage, drives desperate political forces to the brink, desperate political forces who would rather drive civilization itself to the brink, than tolerate the changes in financial and monetary institutions which the present crisis-situation demands.”

Presidents Bush and Putin did indeed talk within hours after the first strike, with decisive results. President Putin called the U.S. President on Air Force One, who had not yet dared to return to Washington, and informed him that Russia knew that he was in trouble. Therefore, said Putin, Russia would take its military off alert status. After the Pentagon strike, the United States had automatically put its forces on strategic alert, which opened the likelihood of a possible thermonuclear escalation between the two nuclear powers, which the coup plotters had clearly planned. Several times in the days which followed, Bush referred gratefully to President Putin’s call.

In the following weeks, as the world struggled to comprehend the events of Sept. 11, LaRouche gave interviews to dozens of print and electronic media worldwide. He hammered home the reality that 1) the operation could only have been run from inside the highest command of the U.S. military itself, 2) that its purpose was to initiate a global “Clash of Civilisations” in the context of the ongoing world financial crash, and 3) that the Israeli Defence Forces-directed Sharon government of Israel was a key detonator of that Clash of Civilisations, beginning with its genocidal

assault on the Palestinians. LaRouche developed these ideas at length in his crucial article, “Zbigniew Brzezinski and September 11”, published in the January 11, 2002 issue of *Executive Intelligence Review*, and posted on his campaign website ([www.larouchein2004.org](http://www.larouchein2004.org)).

The plot had its genesis, LaRouche said, in the Anglo-American circles typified by British author and strategic planner H.G. Wells. In his 1928 book, *The Open Conspiracy*, Wells had called for a one-world Anglo-American imperial rule to extirpate the heritage of the 1776-1783 American Revolution, and the resultant notion of an international order of sovereign nation-states committed to the common good. This was the British Round Table-centred globalist tradition in which Brzezinski, Kissinger, Samuel Huntington and many other Anglo-American ideologues had been nurtured, LaRouche showed, and the purpose for which the Clash of Civilisations was organised. Though Brzezinski and his sidekick and protégé Samuel Huntington constantly harped about an inevitable “Clash”, Brzezinski himself had done more than any other individual in the world to create such a clash. As the National Security Adviser to U.S. President Jimmy Carter from 1976-1980, Brzezinski had virtually created Islamic fundamentalism through his support for the “Afghansi” mujahideen terrorists and drug-runners. Brzezinski bragged that it was his creation of Islamic fundamentalism, which lured the Soviets into Afghanistan in the first place. Then, during the decade-long war there, from 1980-1990, the Anglo-Ameri-



The Sept. 11 assaults were part of a coup attempt by rogue elements within the U.S. military, which want to unleash a bloody Clash of Civilisations. Zbigniew Brzezinski (above) and his mate Samuel Huntington are key spokesmen for this group. Photo: EIR

can military and intelligence agencies sponsored the fundamentalists in a war against the Soviets, creating the basis for what was to become global international “terrorism”—an entity which was always under Anglo-American sponsorship and control.

Although the Sept. 11 coup did not fully succeed, in that Bush, Vice President Cheney and Secretary of Defence Donald Rumsfeld were not killed, and a nuclear escalation with Russia was avoided, Bush’s decision to bomb Afghanistan—instead of rooting out the problem within the U.S. military command structure—was a very bad mistake, LaRouche emphasised. Under intense pressure from the Clash of Civilisations faction both inside and outside his administration, in his Jan. 29 State of the Union address Bush drastically compounded that original mistake, when he targeted Iran, Iraq, and North Korea, as an “axis of evil”,

and threatened to deploy U.S. forces almost anywhere in the world, seemingly on any pretext.

LaRouche’s courageous willingness to identify the truth behind the events of Sept. 11, led others to speak out also, examples of which follow. Most striking is the statement by German establishment figure Andreas von Bülow, who connects the events of September 11 to the “Clash of Civilisations” thesis of Brzezinski, whom he refers to as a “mad dog”. This is an unprecedented public remark by a statesman from Germany about a leading Anglo-American establishment figure, given that Germany lost World War II and was virtually occupied by the Anglo-Americans for decades afterwards. LaRouche’s outspokenness added to his already extensive influence in many world capitals, as exemplified in his global travels and meetings throughout 2001, particularly in Italy, Russia and India.

## Voices Against the Coup

**From France:** The French military/intelligence-connected strategic newsletter, *Reseau Voltaire*, wrote on its website on Sept. 27, that “extremist American circles attempted on Sept. 11 to carry out a military coup against the U.S. government.” In its full printed text of the same date, the newsletter said: “From 10:00 am to approximately 8:00 pm [on Sept. 11] U.S. government officials were not thinking that this was the work of Arab terrorists, but rather that it was an expression of a military coup being carried out by U.S.-based extremists who were capable of provoking a nuclear war.” France’s leading daily *Le Monde* ran an exposé of how the U.S. government was in fact in intensive negotiations before Sept. 11 with the very same Taliban it now accused of sponsoring terrorism.

**From Egypt:** On Jan. 5, the University of Cairo’s Centre for Asian Studies held a seminar entitled “Who Committed the Sept. 11 Attacks, and Why?” The lead speaker was LaRouche’s colleague Muriel Mirak-Weissbach of *Executive Intelligence Review*, followed by Brig. Gen. Dr. Mahmoud Khalaf of Egypt’s Higher Military Academy, who is also a fellow of the British Royal Institute for Home Defence, and a member of the Scientific Association of the U.S. Army. Dr. Khalaf emphasised that he had personally

worked in “special operations” for 20 years, that he and a group of associates had conducted a “post mortem...on this precise operation,” and that he was now presenting the findings of that study.

He presented to the conference a detailed, virtually minute-by-minute analysis of the attacks, and concluded, “We are confronted with a technical operation of extremely great dimensions. We estimate that the planning organ for this operation must have consisted of at least 100 specialised technicians, who needed one year for planning.

Each stage of this operation has many details, and every single technical detail needs measures, which are called ‘deception,’ and camouflaging, against around ten specialised organs in the United States which are called the ‘Intelligence Community.’ We will not say the CIA, but we will say the DIA, which is the Defence Intelligence Agency. The DIA has highly qualified technical capability.... It can monitor every single square metre of the planet audio-visually at any moment.... Yes, there was a penetration of the security system and the U.S. Armed Forces.”

Other Egyptian experts concurred, and a former Foreign Minister reported meeting, in Canada, with senior European bankers in September, who told him they believed “Americans” had done the

attacks “because of the economic crisis prior to Sept. 11.”

**From Germany:** On Jan. 13, 2002, the German daily *Tagesspiegel* interviewed Andreas von Bülow, from one of Germany’s prominent families, and a former State Secretary to the German Defence Ministry. The paper emphasised that von Bülow had been a key figure in one of the most sensitive weapons-trafficking investigations in postwar history, the “Schalck-Golodkowski affair”, which required von Bülow to know much about the secret operations of intelligence services of the United States, as well as those of Western and Eastern Europe.

Under the title, “What Did The Insider Know?” von Bülow said of Sept. 11: “With the help of the horrifying attacks, the Western mass democracies were subjected to brainwashing. The enemy image of anti-communism doesn’t work anymore; it is to be replaced by peoples of Islamic belief. They are accused of having given birth to suicidal terrorism.” Challenged on his use of the term “brainwashing,” he added: “The idea of the enemy image doesn’t come from me. It comes from Zbigniew Brzezinski and Samuel Huntington, two policymakers of American intelligence and foreign policy. Already in the middle of the 1990s, Huntington believed,

people in Europe and the United States needed someone they could hate—this would strengthen their identification with their own society. And Brzezinski, the mad dog, as adviser to President Jimmy Carter, campaigned for the exclusive right of the United States to seize all the raw materials of the world, especially oil and gas.”

The events of Sept. 11, von Bülow told *Tagesspiegel*, “fit perfectly in the concept of the armaments industry, the intelligence agencies, the whole military-industrial-academic complex. This is in fact conspicuous. The huge raw materials reserves of the former Soviet Union are now at their disposal, also the pipeline routes....

“I can state,” he said of the planned irregular warfare attacks on the World Trade Centre, Pentagon, and perhaps the White House, “the planning of the attacks was technically and organisationally a master achievement. To hijack four huge airplanes within a few min-

utes, and within one hour, to drive them into their targets, with complicated flight maneuvers! This is unthinkable, without years-long support from secret apparatuses of the state and industry.” (emphasis added)

Von Bülow concluded on this point by insisting, “I know a lot of people, including very influential ones, who agree with me, but only in whispers, never publicly.”

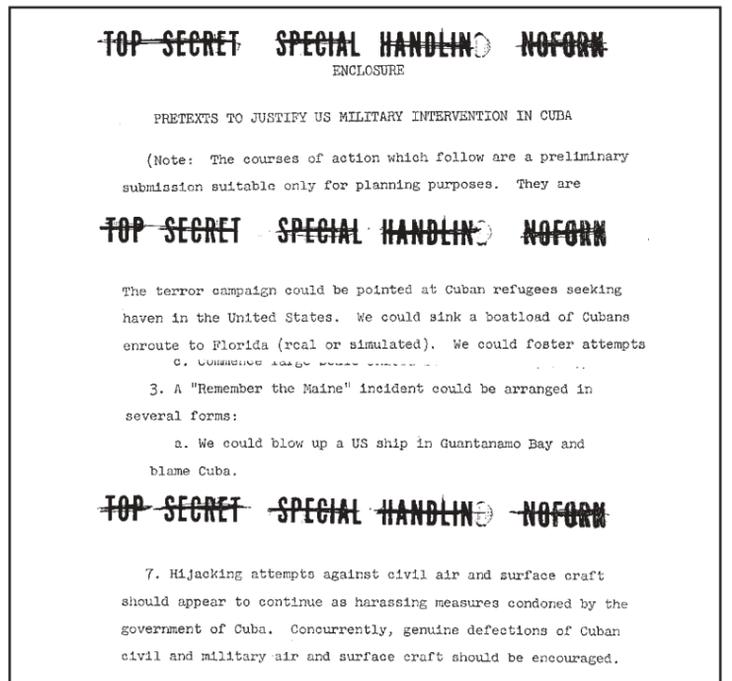
He also pointed out, that in the 1993 bombing of the World Trade Centre, the perpetrators “were snuck into the country by the CIA, despite a State Department ban on their entry. At the same time, the leader of the band was an FBI informant. And he made a deal with the authorities: At the last minute, the dangerous explosive material would be replaced by a harmless powder. The FBI did not stick to the deal. The bomb exploded, so to speak with the knowledge of the FBI. The official story of the crime was quickly found: The criminals were evil Muslims.”

## The Coup Attempt: not the first time

While initially shocking, the fact that elements of the U.S. military would organise a coup d’etat against their own government is much less so, when viewed against the backdrop of Twentieth Century U.S. and European history. After all, in the last great world financial upheaval, that of the 1930s Great Depression, elements of the U.S. military together with Wall Street financiers attempted a coup against the anti-Wall Street U.S. President, Franklin Delano Roosevelt. This was revealed in the U.S. Senate testimony of Gen. Smedley Butler, whom the conspira-

tors had attempted to recruit. (See “The Morgan-British Fascist Coup Against FDR”, L. Wolfe, *New Federalist*, Feb. 4, 1999.) Wall Street and London financiers also financed and organised the Jan. 28, 1933 coup which brought Adolf Hitler to power in Germany, as copiously documented in *George Bush: The Unauthorized Biography*, by Webster Griffin Tarpley and Anton Chaitkin. (EIR, Washington, D.C., 1992, 659pp.) The issue in both countries was financial and economic policy. Roosevelt attacked those whom he called the “economic royalists” or “Ameri-

can Tories”, who were bitterly opposed to state-directed credit for infrastructure and agro-industrial growth, which would solve the Depression, but which would challenge their private stranglehold on the nation’s credit. In Germany, Chancellor Kurt von Schleicher had had an almost identical program for economic recovery to that of Roosevelt, for which he was overthrown on Jan. 28. The installation of Hitler, with his well-known plans for his own “Clash of Civilisations”, made World War II inevitable—a war which never would have happened, had not



In 1962, the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff proposed to conduct terrorist actions on American soil, in order to justify an invasion of Cuba.