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A Primer of Geopolitical Madness

Dr. Zbigniew Brzezinski, who counts among his leading political offspring Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, the self-described “Xena Warrior Princess” of the Clinton administration’s Principals Committee, has spelled out his zany geopolitical views in a booklength diatribe, *The Grand Chessboard: American Primacy and Its Geostrategic Imperatives*.

While Brzezinski’s book has probably sold more copies in Russia, where the elites are trying to figure out U.S. strategy, it is worth recalling that Brzezinski is in reality a British asset, trained by William Yandell Elliott, a Nashville Agrarian and Cecil Rhodes “Roundtable” tout who also rhined Brzezinski’s sibling rival, self-confessed British agent Sir Henry Kissinger. Unlike Kissinger, who was given a knighthood usually reserved for leading members of the British Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Brzezinski has been more covert in his Anglophilia.

British Camouflage

In *The Grand Chessboard*, Brzezinski goes out of his way to camouflage the current British role as the “back-seat driver” behind the worst policies of those such as Vice President Al Gore, Jr. and Secretary of State “Madmeddling” Albright.

Thus, in *The Grand Chessboard*, which always speaks of U.S. “geopolitical” interests, Brzezinski dismisses as irrelevant the ongoing manipulation by an Anglo-American cabal, in which the British “Venetian Party” is the dominant intellectual force shaping the issues that confront traditional American institutions.

According to Brzezinski, Britain today occupies a special place as a U.S. ally, but it is a “retired” geostrategic player. Britain is above reproach, in terms of the dangerously “geopolitical” doctrines that “Americans” like himself have been peddling increasingly of late, being content to maintain what it can of

the “special relationship” with the United States and play with its Commonwealth—the euphemism for the British Empire today.

Hitler’s Geopolitics

Brzezinski starts his discourse on “Superpower Politics” in the wake of the collapse of the Soviet Union and emergence of a prostrate Russia, by stating that the United States, as the sole surviving superpower in the post-Cold War world, has a window of opportunity of some ten to twenty years to assert its control over all of Eurasia. For Brzezinski, “Eurasia . . . retains its geopolitical importance. For America, the chief prize is Eurasia.”

It should be noted, that what Brzezinski calls geopolitics, is a variant upon the Mackinder/Hitlerian quackery that, in the hands of the Prince of Wales—later King Edward VII—underlay World War I. Ultimately, this doctrine was conduited, through Anglophile circles such as the “Wagner Kreis” (i.e., Houston Stewart Chamberlain and the Wagner Circle) and the mystic Thule Society, of which German geopolitician Karl Haushofer had been a member, into the pages of Hitler’s *Mein Kampf*, as a prelude to World War II.

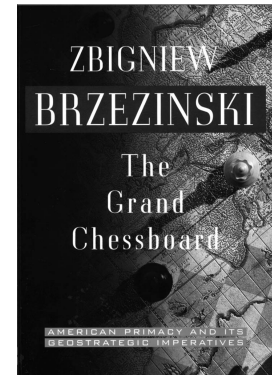
Brzezinski knows this. Thus, when discussing the history of geopolitics, he writes, “one of the most prominent [analysts of geopolitics], Harold Mackinder . . . popularized his heartland concept by the famous dictum:

“Who rules East Europe commands the Heartland;

“Who rules the Heartland commands the World-Island;

“Who rules the World-Island commands the world.

“Geopolitics was also invoked by some leading German political geographers to justify their country’s ‘*Drang nach Osten*’ [‘Drive to the East’], notably by Karl Haushofer adapting Mackinder’s concept to Germany’s strategic needs. Its much-vulgarized



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echo could also be heard in Adolf Hitler’s emphasis on the German people’s need for ‘*Lebensraum*.’”

It is therefore little short of astounding that Brzezinski presents a post-modern version of the Mackinder/Haushofer geopolitical doctrine—since it places him historically in the footsteps of Hitler’s geostrategic doctrine!

Targetting the ‘Survivors’ Club’

Brzezinski is crystal clear throughout his book that China and Russia, especially, must not be allowed to combine forces, thereby becoming a global power sufficiently strong to expel the United States from its post-Cold War “prize” of Eurasia. The alliance of China, Russia, and India that is coming into being based on Lyndon LaRouche’s “Grand Design” for Eurasian integration through massive infrastructure projects such as the Eurasian Land-Bridge, what the Chinese refer to as the “New Silk Road,” is, for Brzezinski, the number-one danger.

Brzezinski writes: “Potentially, the most dangerous scenario would be a grand coalition of China, Russia, and perhaps Iran, an ‘anti-hegemonic’ coalition united not by ideology but by complementary grievances. It would be reminiscent in scale and scope of the challenge posed by the Sino-Soviet bloc, though this time China would likely be the leader and Russia the follower.

Averting this contingency, however remote it may be, will require a display of U.S. geostrategic skill on the western, eastern, and southern perimeters of Eurasia simultaneously.”

Thus, Brzezinski defines the emerging “Survivors’ Club” as the single most dangerous “geopolitical” force which those who desire to dominate Eurasia might encounter. Once again, Brzezinski allies himself with the British “Club of the Isles,” that emerged out of two world wars that were instigated by a treasonous Anglo-American Tory plot—e.g., financing Hitler’s imposition upon a prostrate Germany by E.H. Harriman, Sir George Bush’s father, Prescott Bush, and Montagu Norman, Governor of the Bank of England—in order to halt precisely such integration of Eurasia around such true global economic development as the Land-

Bridge conception.

Hence, Brzezinski fantasizes a “global-zone of percolating violence,” that could be skillfully manipulated to stop Eurasian integration. According to a map of this region in *The Grand Chessboard*, this zone of “percolating violence” includes all of Central Asia, extending westward to include Turkey, northward to include southern Russia, and eastward to touch upon the western borders of China. It includes the entire Middle East, where Brzezinski claims it is imperative for the United States to retain control, especially in the critical Persian Gulf. And, the zone extends eastward to include Afghanistan and Pakistan, up to the latter’s border with India.

It is clear, based on reading *The Grand Chessboard* “geopolitical” lunacy from the perspective of Lyndon

LaRouche’s Eurasian Land-Bridge for the integration of the United States in strategic partnership with Franklin Roosevelt’s World War II allies—i.e., China and Russia—that anyone in policymaking circles insane enough to lend credence to Brzezinski’s nonsense has endorsed a fast track toward World War III. As LaRouche made clear in his strategic study “Mad Brzezinski’s Chessboard” [*Executive Intelligence Review*, April 2, 1999], every time the Anglo-American Tory traitors have faced a depression collapse, they have sought to protect their global dominance by starting a war. *The Grand Chessboard* is a blueprint for how to start such a war, which would plunge the majority of mankind into a New Dark Age for generations to come.

—Scott Thompson

Crackpot Landlords vs. Mideast Peace

Yossi Beilin, a top aide to Israeli Prime Ministers Yitzhak Rabin and Shimon Peres, and a behind-the-scenes architect of the Oslo peace agreement, once offered an insightful comment on the difficulty of resolving the deadlock over Jerusalem: “There is a crackpot quality to much of the talk here about Jerusalem,” he said.

That “crackpot quality” is again evident in the last-minute maneuvers of outgoing Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, which threaten the potential for a reinvigorated effort to conclude the Oslo process under Ehud Barak, who defeated him by a landslide in the elections on May 17. These measures include a green light for the construction of 132 housing units for Jewish settlers at Ras Al-Amud in a Palestinian neighborhood in East Jerusalem, which cuts off access to East Jerusalem from Abu Dis, a large Palestinian suburb just outside the city; and, in the decision announced May 29 to expand the West Bank Jewish settlement of Maale Adu-mim by 3,000 acres, linking it to Jerusalem and cutting the West Bank in half.

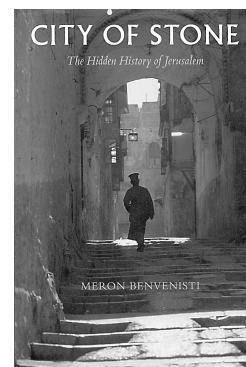
Both actions have provoked an angry

response from Palestinian Authority leaders, at precisely the moment that hopes for peace have been rekindled, with the ouster of Netanyahu.

The Bingo King

The case of Ras Al-Amud highlights the danger inherent in this “crackpot” factor. The settlement houses members of Yeshiva Ateret Cohanim, messianic Jewish extremists who believe that building the “Third Temple” on the Temple Mount in Jerusalem will bring the advent of the Messiah. To facilitate this occurrence, the buildings presently occupying the Temple Mount—the Al-Aksa Mosque and the Dome of the Rock, both sites holy to Islam—must be removed, by force if necessary. Members of the Jewish Underground allied with Ateret Cohanim have been arrested by Israeli security forces in recent years for attempts to blow up these mosques.

Financing this settlement is the notorious bingo king of California, Irving Moskowitz, who has funnelled millions of dollars to projects in Jerusalem. The opening of one of his pet projects, the tunnel adjacent to Temple Mount, in September 1996, resulted in more than



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75 deaths in the riots which followed.

Moskowitz, who vehemently opposes the Oslo peace process, exemplifies the crackpot factor. He has stated that the essence of Judaism can be reduced to the following formula: “Jewish control of Jerusalem, of the Temple Mount and the Western Wall, is more important than peace. When Jews throughout the ages prayed, they did not pray for peace with the Arabs. They prayed for Jewish control of Jerusalem.”

To reduce the mission of the Jews, from that of being “a light unto the