
SOLVING WORLD PROBLEMS WITH LYNDON LAROUCHE'S VICARIOUS HYPOTHESIS AND METAPHOR PRINCIPLES

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RECOMMENDED READING

Among the many reports by Lyndon LaRouche published in 2013, these four are recommended for solving the world's problems because they are based on the higher conception of Kepler's famous *vicarious hypothesis principle*. This quadratic reading package reflects the method of dealing properly with the failure of practical sense-perception in art, science, politics, as well as in economics. The vicarious conception I recommend to look for in this reading is defined by LaRouche as "... *knowledge, rather than being based on experience, is actually based on discovering the contradictions implicit in our opinions about experience.*"¹

1. Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., [*Contemporary Pseudo-Morality*](#), first published September 21, 2013, EIR, Vol. 51, No. 4, January 26, 2024, pp. 30-41.

2. Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., [*Grasping the Future! A New System Among Nations*](#), EIR, Vol. 40, No. 12, March 22, 2013, pp. 4-16, and March 1, 2024.

3. Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., [*Nicholas of Cusa, Kepler & Shakespeare*](#), EIR, Vol. 40, No. 25, June 21, 2013, pp. 4-19.

4. Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., [*Art, Science & Sense-Perception*](#), EIR, Vol. 40, No. 42, October 25, 2013, pp. 41-51, and March 8, 2024.

¹ Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., [*Grasping the Future! A New System Among Nations*](#), EIR, Vol. 40, No. 12, March 22, 2013, p. 10.

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this report is to show that Lyndon LaRouche's method of the *vicarious hypothesis* and *metaphor* enables one to answer difficult problems in today's strategic situation. How can the human mind solve problems such as the current crisis of the Palestinian people of Gaza in Southwest Asia today or of the people of Ukraine? How can the human mind put an end to the criminal intention of the present U. S. Government supporting Israel and Ukraine in the act of committing genocide? How do you escape the evil predicament identified by John Milton's *Paradise Lost*, who had Satan admit he was doomed to a suicidal mission by declaring: "Better to reign in Hell than to serve in Heaven"?

Every human being is called upon to ask himself today such questions in order to avoid falling into the trap of the suicidal mission just cited above; otherwise they will end up like Adolph Hitler and his leading Nazi collaborators. This is the living hell that the world is living through today with the Gaza and Ukraine genocide; and genocide is also what the Biden Administration is telling its subjects to accept as their future.

Lyndon LaRouche's [*The Oasis Plan*](#) was proposed in 1975 as a solution to the crisis in Southwest Asia using Eratosthenes's method of the *vicarious hypothesis* and *metaphor* principles.

LAROUCHE'S VICARIOUS HYPOTHESIS AND METAPHOR PRINCIPLES

LaRouche's *vicarious principle* is the method for solving any crisis especially the evil of war as such. LaRouche may have originally taken the idea of *vicarious hypothesis* from Kepler's *New Astronomy*, but he defined it from Eratosthenes' extraterrestrial outlook as opposed to a simple sense-perception experiment for determining the circumference of the Earth. LaRouche described Eratosthenes' method of discovery as follows:

"Eratosthenes' method (Third Century B.C.) focused on the difference, or anomaly, between the angles of shadows cast on two identical

sundials at divergent latitudes. The significance of the experimental [sic] lies not in its extraordinarily accurate computation, but in its demonstration that knowledge, rather than being based on experience, is actually based on discovering the contradictions implicit in our opinions about experience.”²

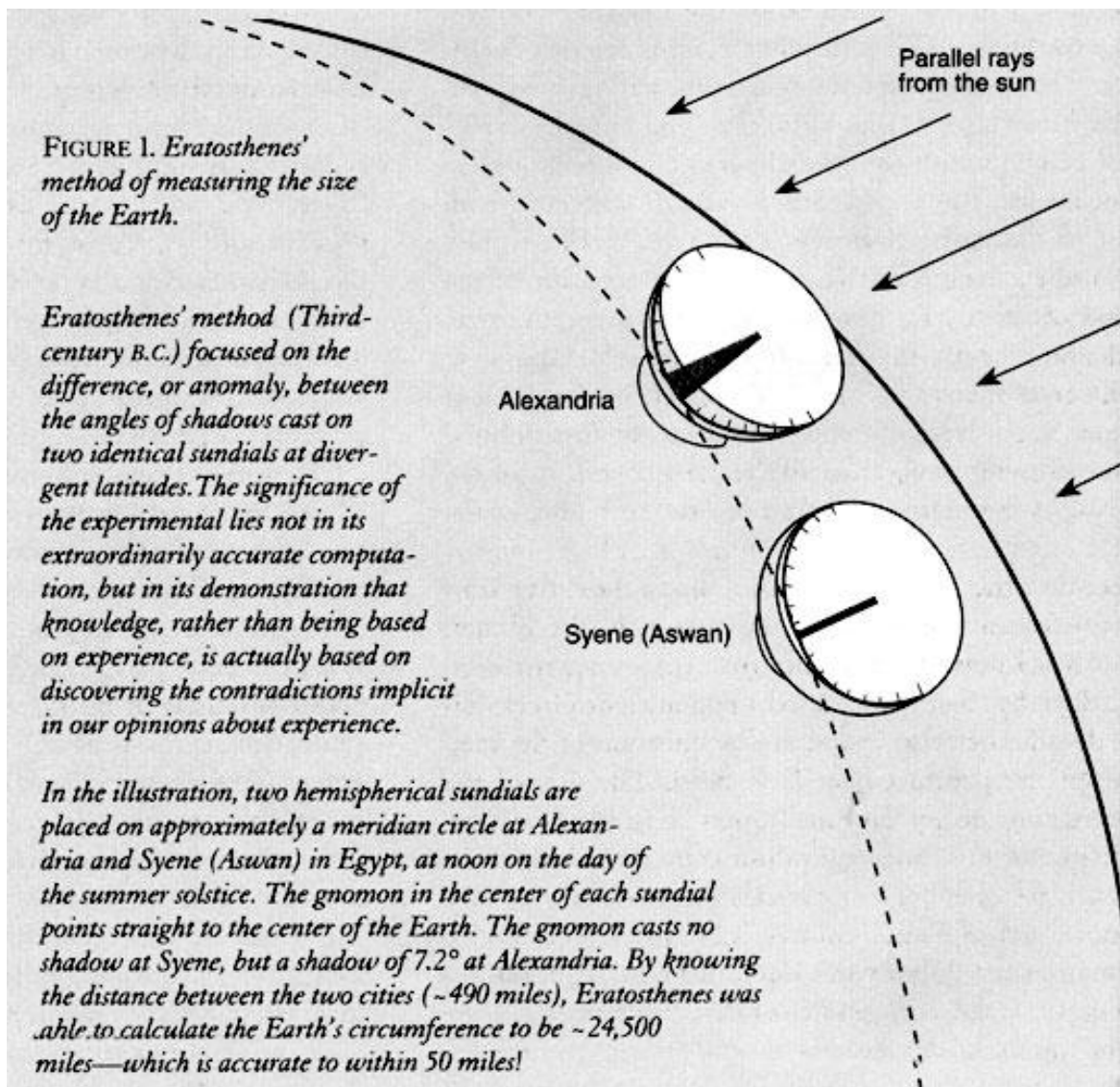


Figure 1. Lyndon LaRouche, [Grasping the Future! A New System Among Nations](#), EIR, Vol. 40, No. 12, March 22, 2013, p. 10.

² Lyndon LaRouche, [Grasping the Future! A New System Among Nations](#), EIR, Vol. 40, No. 12, March 22, 2013, p. 10.

Thus, the *vicarious hypothesis* becomes the *metaphor for the Riemannian multi-principle manifold of extraterrestrial creative-mental-perception* as opposed to the expression of an earthbound *Euclidean straight-line-sense-perception*. Such a process of creative imagination also includes, of course, the use of ironies. LaRouche stated emphatically:

“In a long, and originally, often obscured tradition, the human species has become apparently accustomed, but mistakenly, to employ a notion of time and space based on the premises of what had been mere sense perception. The folly of continuing that originally crude tradition of mankind, had reached a critical stage of practice, at a juncture occurring during a time in which scientists have often based definitions of universal physical principles, mistakenly, as depending upon mere human sense-perception.

“A notable challenge to the persistence of that simplistic practice, presented itself at the point at which universal physical principles *respecting universal physical space outside planet Earth*, were defined on the basis of human sense-perception attributed to processes within the bounds of planet Earth: the future of mankind now demands primary emphasis on the use of the practice of defining experimental principles which must be applied, more emphatically, to regions of our Solar system beyond the realm of Earth.”³

LaRouche singled out as a thought-object that he identified by the *metaphorical* name of “Pythagorean Theorem.”⁴ What must be added to what the artist, the scientist, or the child are looking for in their preconscious minds is not of the domain of sense-perception. Here, it is not in the mushy world of romanticism either. *This is how Pythagoras mentally perceived what was not there, that is, the square C^2 :*

³ Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., [*Grasping the Future! A New System Among Nations*](#), EIR, Vol. 40, No. 12, March 22, 2013, p. 10.

⁴ [Schiller Institute-- On the Subject of Metaphor, by Lyndon H. LaRouche](#)

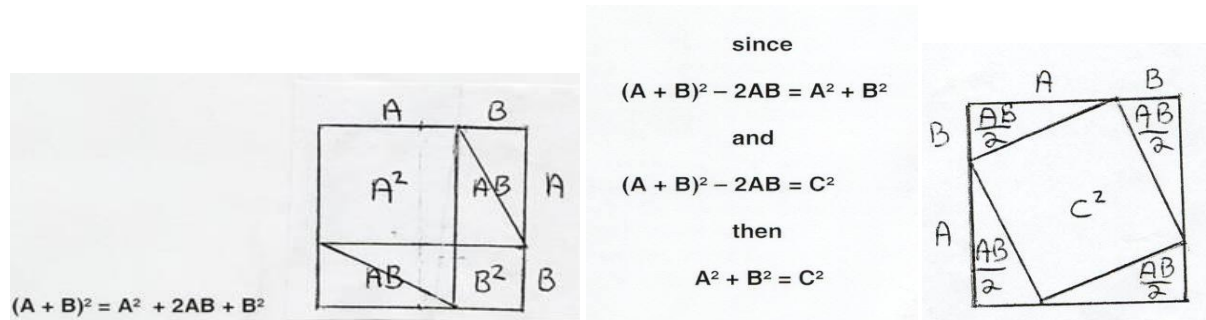


Figure 2. How the Pythagorean Theorem resolves Plato's doubling of the square.

If you cannot follow the transforming process of generating this Pythagorean Theorem construction (Figure 2.), from the left square to the right square, your mind will be in an interminable torment of perplexity, because *what is not there* for your eyes to see, is the Platonic metaphor for solving the problem of doubling the square; that is, the metaphorical illustration of an axiomatic jump.

In order to solve such a problem, your mind will have to go through three successive degrees of torment before it can free itself and bring itself to a higher manifold: Thus, 1) Perplexity, 2) Awe, and 3) Laughter. That is, for me, the best metaphor for discovering how creative ideas come out of the preconscious region of the mind, where the "indeterminate" or "indefinite" is swarming around impotently into a romantic mishmash, before it reorganizes itself into making a definite and transfinite leap. So, what happens, geometrically speaking, inside of this preconscious and indeterminate cavity of the mind? LaRouche gave the following answer:

“At this level, we study the way in which preconscious conceptions act as transfinite, such that they are associated implicitly with alternative communicable predicates, each predicate appropriate to the conjunction of the preconscious thought with either another preconscious thought or a definite circumstance of practice. The operation known as deduction depends entirely upon the way in which preconscious transfinite are linked to their associated arrays of communicable predicates. The second, next higher order of inquiry into the preconscious focuses upon the conditions of problem-solving in which a person has a correct solution, original to his or

her experience, “on the tip of my tongue.” This latter is a preconscious act of insight, as formally distinct from a preconscious act of recognition (memory).”⁵

The above illustration of the Platonic doubling of the square resolved by the Pythagorean Theorem demonstrates the insight of the “second, next higher order of inquiry” that LaRouche is talking about. It is an act of universal memory located in the *simultaneity of temporal eternity* which shows that creative reason is not mere sense-perception, understanding, or deductive logic: “Reason is not logical knowledge as we ordinarily define logic. Reason is the rigorous process of scientific preconscious thinking that orders successive and successful arrays of logical scientific knowledge.”⁶

LAROCHE ON THE REQUIRED ECONOMIC PROTOCOLS FOR THE 1993 ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN OSLO ACCORDS

“Jan. 16, 2021—The breakthrough Oslo Accords were announced in September 1993, between Israel and the Palestinian Authority, which called for resolution of conflict over time, and specified economic development protocols. On September 13, when he signed the Accords, Mahmoud Abbas, the Palestinian representative, spoke of how the lack of infrastructure in the region has ‘drained the population’ and caused misery for too long. Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres said that it is time to ‘make the gardens of Jericho bloom again.’

“Lyndon LaRouche stressed the necessity to ‘put the shovels in the ground’ right away. But geopolitical opponents of the Accords were saying that political agreement must come before economic cooperation. LaRouche said, no, ‘turn the dirt’ on the development projects immediately. During a September 8 EIR Talks radio interview, LaRouche spelled it out:

⁵ Lyndon LaRouche, [**POETRY MUST BEGIN TO SUPERSEDE MATHEMATICS IN PHYSICS**](#), Fusion Magazine, Vol. 2, No. 1, October 1978, p. 12.

⁶ Lyndon LaRouche, Op. Cit., p. 15.

‘The urgent thing here is that we must move with all speed to immediately get these economic development projects, such as the canal from Gaza to the Dead Sea, going, because if we wait until we discuss this thing out, enemies of progress and enemies of the human race, such as Kissinger and his friends, will be successful, through people like [Ariel] Sharon’s buddies, in intervening to drown this agreement in blood and chaos; but now we have an opportunity. If we move fast enough to get the economic development started, we can have an agreement in the Middle East which succeeds where, because of the Bush and Thatcher Administrations, we failed to seize the opportunity when the Wall came down in Eastern Europe.’”⁷

The way that Lyndon LaRouche proposed to implement the Israeli-Palestinian Oslo Accords was to do the impossible; that is, by applying to the human mind Eratosthenes’s method of the *vicarious principle*.

As amazing as this method may appear to be, the application of its principle is what makes the difference between oligarchism and republicanism, between the practical man’s oligarchism and human reason, between being a subject and being a citizen, between being enslaved and being free, because unless one is capable of breaking with the habits of living only in accordance with what is possible, that is, without discovering, for example, how to travel beyond the Earth, the human species will forever remain bound to its Earthly habits, as all animals are forced to do by the very nature of their species.

The exploratory mission of going to Mars will be the crucial demonstration which shall prove experimentally, once and for all, that man is not an animal. This is the way to *presently think from the future*, the new way to think that mankind has to discover in the next few months if humanity is to survive in the *simultaneity of temporal eternity*.

⁷ Lyndon LaRouche, [*THE PRIORITY OF ECONOMIC ACTION, LaRouche on the Required Economic Protocols for the 1993 Israeli-Palestinian Oslo Accords*](#), EIR Vol. 48, No. 4, January 22, 2021, p. 21.

THE VICARIOUS PRINCIPLE REDISCOVERED

The significance of the *vicarious principle* is that it demonstrates how Eratosthenes was able to estimate the true length of the polar diameter of the Earth within an error margin of about fifty miles of the circumference it produced, without having seen the curvature of our planet and by placing his mind within an extraterrestrial position. *How can you derive anything from something that you have never seen and from where you have never been?* This can only be done through the domain of Platonic ideas.⁸

What is necessary to discover is how evidence procured by sense-perception is a shadow of actual reality. *What you see with your real physical eyes is not the real world.* However, sense-perception is not a mere shadow; it is worse, it is an actual trap, a deadly trap leading your mind into the illusion of thinking that what you see is reality. It is such an effective trap that it can make you believe that you can actually touch the truth simply by putting your finger on it, lift it, and look under it. The sad thing is that sense-perception fools most people most of the time, because it comes to you in the most practical form of what appears to be knowledge. *Don't be fooled: practicality is not knowledge; it is merely helping getting something done.*

Sense-certainty is the practical man's truth, because he believes that the proof is in the pudding. It is this *obstinate quality of certainty* which convinces the unthinking person that what he sees and touches is real because it is practical while ideas are mere abstractions, because the empirical object is so much "there," in front of them that only an idiot would deny its importance. Is there any better self-evidence of reality than what you can see with your own two eyes? If that were true, then why is it that you can discover something fundamental without ever seeing it and without even having been there? How can you know the circumference of the Earth without ever having seen it from outer space?

⁸ The following report by Lyndon LaRouche goes through in extensive details how the case of Eratosthenes's discovery of the circumference of the Earth is crucial for understanding Platonic reason. See Lyndon LaRouche, [*Leibniz From Riemann's Standpoint*](#), Schiller Institute, *FIDELIO* Magazine, Vol. 5, No. 5, Fall, 1996.

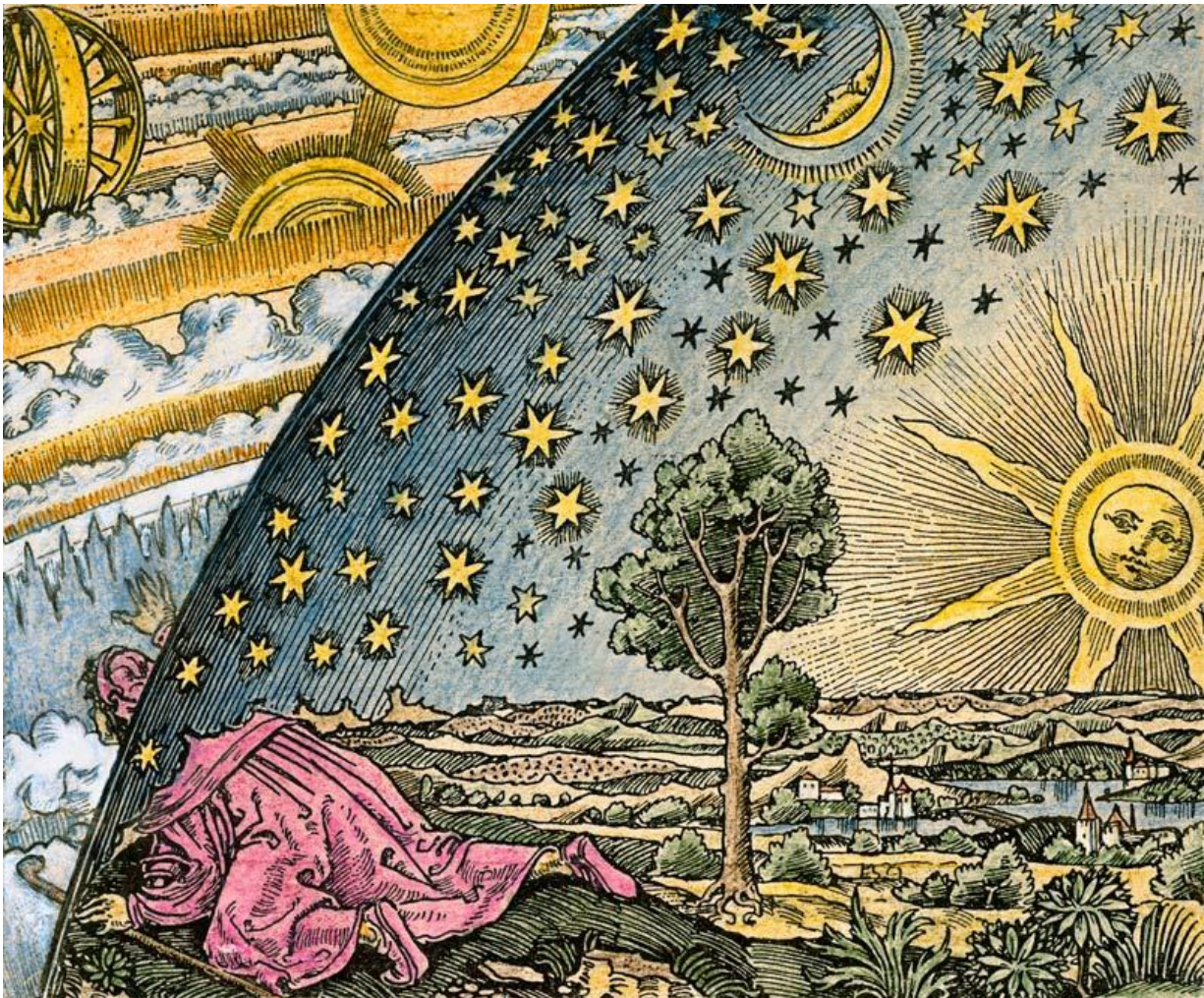


Figure 3. A Platonic artistic form of the *vicarious hypothesis*. Camille Flammarion, *Astronomie* 1, 1888.

This is where Eratosthenes's discovery is most relevant. As LaRouche stated, the truth of the *vicarious principle* does not lie in the “*extraordinarily accurate computation*” of the experiment; it lies in the significance of the matter of judgment of a *higher hypothesis* located outside of the box and including the divergent interpretations that many people may have of it.

WHY UNDERSTANDING PUZZLES IS SO IMPORTANT

Here is a puzzle that Americans have not yet been able to figure out: the assassinations of both President John F. Kennedy and of his brother, Robert. The

truth does not lie in the fact that their deaths were a “cover up,” but because Americans have not been able to understand why JFK began trusting Khrushchev only after October 27, 1962. The truth is that mankind would have improved significantly if American citizens had not been so blocked about the sense-perception evidence that such a “cover up” had caused to America and if they had acted on the truth of the *vicarious hypothesis* that Kennedy had made. The good thing is that it is not too late.



Figure 4. October 23, 1962 US Naval photograph showing the Cuban missile site of San Cristobal, Cuba. Why did the Russians leave those missiles out in the open for everyone to see?

The awareness that is required in a *vicarious hypothesis* is very similar to the Russian strategy of *Maskirovka*, which is the act of preventing your opponent from

making irreversible mistakes. The Russian concept must be understood as a “truth hidden within a deception” because it reflects the benefit of the other principle of the Peace of Westphalia. Take the American picture showing the missiles during the Cuban Missile Crisis as an example of *Maskirovka*.⁹

Apply the *vicarious hypothesis* to the process of change from *sense-perception* to the *mental-perception* of your imagination, as Shakespeare applied that change to his principle of *Chorus* in his play, *Henry V*.

[CHORUS]

*O, for a muse of fire that would ascend
The brightest heaven of invention!
A kingdom for a stage, princes to act,
And monarchs to behold the swelling scene!
Then should the warlike Harry, like himself, 5
Assume the port of Mars, and at his heels,
Leashed in like hounds, should famine, sword, and fire
Crouch for employment. But pardon, gentles all,
The flat unraisèd spirits that hath dared
On this unworthy scaffold to bring forth 10
So great an object. Can this cockpit hold
The vasty fields of France? Or may we cram
Within this wooden O the very casques
That did affright the air at Agincourt?
O pardon, since a crookèd figure may 15
Attest in little place a million,
And let us, ciphers to this great account,
On your imaginary forces work.
Suppose within the girdle of these walls
Are now confined two mighty monarchies, 20
Whose high uprearèd and abutting fronts
The perilous narrow ocean parts asunder.
Piece out our imperfections with your thoughts.
Into a thousand parts divide one man,*

⁹ Pierre Beaudry, [MASKIROVKA, THE BENEFIT OF THE OTHER UNDER THE GUISE OF DECEPTION](#).

And make imaginary puissance. 25
Think, when we talk of horses, that you see them
Printing their proud hoofs i' th' receiving earth,
For 'tis your thoughts that now must deck our kings,
Carry them here and there, jumping o'er times,
Turning th' accomplishment of many years 30
Into an hourglass; for the which supply,
Admit me chorus to this history,
Who, prologue-like, your humble patience pray
Gently to hear, kindly to judge our play."¹⁰

The truth of what the mind captures in the imaginary domain of *mental-perception* is more real than the effect that *sense-perception* seizes upon the stage of the *Globe Theater*. This can be demonstrated as the difference between the real thing and its shadow. The way to make the difference between *mental-perception* and *sense-perception* is simply to test the value of the certainty of truth in both cases. Is the truth located in what you are seeing on the stage of the *Globe Theater* or is it located in the domain of your imagination?

The experience of truth does not lie in the simple perception of what is on stage, but in the mental discovery of the deficiency of sense-perception, or sense-deception, which the moral human being cannot accept as proof of knowledge but only as a lie. Here is how LaRouche stated the matter:

“The experience of truth lies not in mere sense-perception, but, rather, in the recognition of ‘the factor’ of *the certainty of sense-uncertainty*, precisely as Kepler actually defines *vicarious hypothesis*, and as Shakespeare does with his emphasis on the universal principle of *sense-uncertainty*, as Shakespeare’s use of **Chorus** accomplishes the same intention for effect. [...]

“‘In other words,’ it is the belief in literal ‘sense-certainty’ which is merely the shadow of what it is actually not. *To attain the actual truth of a*

¹⁰ William Shakespeare, [Henry V Prologue](#).

matter of content, we must shift the emphasis from sense-perception, to recognize that it is the sense-perception which is actually the mere shadow of the event, and not the insight of the organ of truth.”¹¹

For instance, here is a statement signed by former President Barak Obama as an example of *vicarious hypothesis*: ***“Each individual State has the responsibility to protect its populations from genocide, war crimes, ethnic cleansing and crimes against humanity. This responsibility entails the prevention of such crimes, including their incitement, through appropriate and necessary means. We accept that responsibility and will act in accordance with it.”¹²***

The question is: Is this statement signed by Obama a truthful statement or a hypocritical statement of deception? The answer will be discussed at the end of this report.

Similarly, if you are negotiating for peace with your opponent in Gaza or Ukraine and you say to him: “I forgive you, but I will not forget.” Are you being truthful? Isn’t it better to say to him what Christ said: “Forgive them for they know not what they do!”

As historian Edward Gibbon implied in his *The History of the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire*, by crucifying Jesus Christ, the Romans brought down the Roman Empire. This is why all may be forgiven of your enemies because they are not aware that humanity is going to survive, no matter how many times you try to kill it, simply because it is impossible for God to have failed when he created man in His Own Image.

THE GAZA VICARIOUS HYPOTHESIS

“Let us, therefore, reconsider the proper choice of definition of “Intelligence Quotient.” Morality and human intelligence are to be “measured” in the relative weight of

¹¹ Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., [Nicholas of Cusa, Kepler & Shakespeare](#), EIR, Vol. 40, No. 25, June 21, 2013, p. 11.

¹² 2005 United Nations report on [Responsibility to protect](#).

reliance on the interdependent principles of *vicarious hypothesis* and *metaphor*, in contrast to the relative weight of sense-perception. *Vicarious hypothesis* and *metaphor*, as combined in practice, determine relative human sanity and practical levels of intelligence, that of both the individual personality, and of the generality of the ideology of the society.

“To the extent that human society were progressive in its direction of development, *vicarious hypothesis* and *metaphor*, when properly combined, tend to become victorious.” Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., [*Grasping the Future! A New System Among Nations*](#), EIR, Vol. 40, No. 12, March 22, 2013, pp. 4-16.

How many people know and how many act on the fact that the United Nations Resolution 242, adopted by the majority of nations including the United States on November 22, 1967, had called for a two-state solution for Israel and Palestine, and that without such a solution, the present war in Gaza threatens to annihilate not only the entire Palestinian population, but the greater part of humanity by leading us into nuclear World War III?

The truthfulness of anything can never be given by television news for the simple reason that opinions of *sense-perceptions* are filled with contradictions and paradoxes, which lead to inevitable conflicts of interests between different peoples. Consequently, the only way to resolve such conflicts is by relying on a higher Court of Justice, in this case, the International Court of Justice (ICJ) in The Hague. What is required for the ICJ is evidence of a *higher hypothesis* of understanding among different peoples and above everybody's levels of *sense-perception* in order to come to a just conclusion for the benefit of mankind. Therefore, as in the case of Gaza, the ICJ recognizes that *It is better to serve in heaven than to reign in hell*.¹³

¹³ See the reports of [Francesca Albanese](#) on the Israeli genocide in the Occupied Palestinian Territories, and of Dennis Speed, [*The Time Is Now, To Do What You Know Is Right*](#), EIR, March 26, 2024.

The focus of peace in Gaza and Ukraine must be on the foreseeable future of joining two different principles of *vicarious hypothesis* and *metaphor* into a single one. A *higher hypothesis* must therefore be established between the opponents of the genocide in Gaza in such a manner that some agreement can *develop in the simultaneity of temporal eternity* for the two peoples, Israelis and Palestinians; and between them, the knowledge and beliefs other than only sense-perception must represent a *truthful dialogue*.

The key word, here is “*truthful dialogue*” because the hell of Gaza is not a test of vengeful strength between the two opponents, Israelites and Palestinians. Once that obstacle is taken away, the benefits of the *vicarious hypothesis* and *metaphor* can become accepted as a form of dialogue between the two. The question, here, is what happens when one of the two parties clings to the *Satanic Metaphor* as demonstrated by John Milton in *Paradise Lost*? This is what the World Court of the United Nations must decide on the Gaza genocide today.¹⁴

ALEXIS DE TOCQUEVILLE'S IDEA OF SELF-BANKRUPTING 'AMERICAN EXCEPTIONALISM'

The French aristocrat and historian, Alexis de Tocqueville, characterized the *American business form of culture* as being a despicable form of “American exceptionalism.” What is it that Tocqueville was attempting to tell us underneath this identification? Was he lying or was he telling the truth? Here is how Tocqueville expressed the matter in his own words:

“I consider the people of the United States as that portion of the English people which is commissioned to explore the wilds of the New World; whilst the rest of the nation, enjoying more leisure and less harassed by the drudgery of life, may devote its energies to thought, and enlarge in all directions the empire of the mind. *The position of the Americans is therefore quite exceptional* (emphasis added), and it may be believed that no democratic people will ever be placed in a similar one. Their strictly Puritanical origin - their exclusively commercial habits – even the country

¹⁴ [Rebuild the "Land of a Thousand Cities": Use LaRouche's Oasis Plan to Save Lives in Gaza | The LaRouche Organization](#)

they inhabit, which seems to divert their minds from the pursuit of science, literature, and the arts – the proximity of Europe, which allows them to neglect these pursuits without relapsing into barbarism – a thousand special causes, of which I have only been able to point out the most important – have singularly concurred to fix the mind of the American upon purely practical objects.”¹⁵

There is something faulty and ambiguous about the expression “American exceptionalism,” which has not been understood properly and which needs to be clarified, because its meaning can be interpreted and twisted into the opposite of what it means to be. Tocqueville was attempting to identify the paradox underlying the very notion of American Democracy, which is today being put into question. “American exceptionalism” leads to fascism, because the system of American Democracy in its present form is self destructive and leads to the suicide of mankind by reducing world population. Why is the current so-called American Democracy falling apart at the seams? Why did the United States create the circumstances for de-dollarization worldwide?

Tocqueville considered that there was something wrong with the idea of “majority rule” in America because it was the most stifling factor run by the business sector against the thinking person; that is, the fact that superior talents and creative intellectual individuals have been ignored, displaced, or overtaken by the practical business of making money as opposed to improving the creative powers of one’s own minds and that of their neighbors.

Tocqueville showed how the democratic idea of “majority rule” leads inevitably to mediocrity and tyranny and his warning against so-called American democracy, which is class autocracy, came from the fact that its form of radical equality led to the selfishness of individualism. *The New Yorker's* reporter, James Wood, put his finger on the fascist nature of the problem that Tocqueville was unraveling: "In such conditions, we might become so enamored with 'a relaxed

¹⁵ The term of “exceptionalism” for the current form of American democracy can be found in Alexis de Tocqueville, [*Democracy in America*](#), A Penn State Electronic Classics Series Publication, translated by Henry Reeve, Book I, 2002. (p. 518.) [Alexis de Tocqueville - Wikipedia](#)

love of present enjoyments' that we lose interest in the future of our descendants...and meekly allow ourselves to be led in ignorance by a despotic force all the more powerful because it does not resemble one.”¹⁶

Thus, “American exceptionalism” against mutual development leads the world to fascism. That is the “despotic force” that Wood wrote about. Fascism is not only stupid; it is also suicidal by its very nature. Thus, Tocqueville was correct in identifying the self-bankrupting nature of “American exceptionalism”; that is, the business is self-bankrupting both in America and in Europe at the same time, because both Americans and Europeans have adopted the wrong system by refusing to recognize it was doomed from the start to self-destruction. Like the Satanic quote from Milton’s *Paradise Lost*, a policy of no economic development for mankind is suicidal; it is just a matter of time before that sort of business goes out of business. The reader should reflect on the self-destructive implications of the following devastatingly pessimistic statement by Tocqueville about this British-controlled policy:

“His passions, his wants, his education, and everything about him seem to unite in drawing the native of the United States earthward: his religion alone bids him turn, from time to time, a transient and distracted glance to heaven. Let us cease then to view all democratic nations under the mask of the American people, and let us attempt to survey them at length with their own proper features. It is possible to conceive a people not subdivided into any castes or scale of ranks; in which the law, recognizing no privileges, should divide inherited property into equal shares; but which, at the same time, should be without knowledge and without freedom. Nor is this an empty hypothesis: a despot may find that it is his interest to render his subjects equal and to leave them ignorant, in order more easily to keep them slaves. Not only would a democratic people of this kind show neither aptitude nor taste for science, literature, or art, but it would probably never arrive at the possession of them. The law of descent would of itself provide for the destruction of fortunes at each succeeding generation; and new

¹⁶ James Wood. "*Tocqueville In America*," The New Yorker, 17 May 2010.

fortunes would be acquired by none. The poor man, without either knowledge or freedom, would not so much as conceive the idea of raising himself to wealth; and the rich man would allow himself to be degraded to poverty, without a notion of self-defense. Between these two members of the community complete and invincible equality would soon be established. No one would then have time or taste to devote himself to the pursuits or pleasures of the intellect; but all men would remain paralyzed by a state of common ignorance and equal servitude. When I conceive a democratic society of this kind, I fancy myself in one of those low, close, and gloomy abodes, where the light which breaks in from without soon faints and fades away. A sudden heaviness overpowers me, and I grope through the surrounding darkness, to find the aperture which will restore me to daylight and the air.”¹⁷

Of course, Tocqueville’s aristocratic view of the world is not the solution. Aristocracies may have, in the past, entertained the idea of the greatness of mankind through advances in arts and science, but they were never able to foster discoveries of principle whereby mankind as a whole would be brought to a higher level of creative powers. LaRouche’s method of *vicarious hypothesis* and *metaphor* is able to provide that for mankind. LaRouche’s method of self-development promotes the increase in Potential Relative Population Density (**PRPD**) as opposed to the current British-American policy of “*Responsibility To Protect*” (**R2P**).

Today, the *metaphor* which should be used to characterize Tocqueville’s “American exceptionalism” is curiously called “*Responsibility To Protect*” (**R2P**). This American doctrine written by a Canadian Government agency has all of the appearances of defending people against genocide, war crimes, ethnic cleansing and crimes against humanity, anywhere in the world. But is that what it really is?

¹⁷ Alexis de Tocqueville, [*Democracy in America*](#), A Penn State Electronic Classics Series Publication, translated by Henry Reeve, Book I, 2002, p. 518.

UNITED NATIONS: FROM THE OFFICE ON GENOCIDE PREVENTION AND THE RESPONSIBILITY TO PROTECT (R2P)

The principle of “*Responsibility To Protect*” (R2P) was submitted to the United Nations by the Obama administration in 2005. As the official document reports: “*The concept of the responsibility to protect drew inspiration of Francis Deng’s idea of “State sovereignty as a responsibility” and affirmed the notion that sovereignty is not just protection from outside interference – rather is a matter of states having positive responsibilities for their population’s welfare, and to assist each other. Consequently, the primary responsibility for the protection of its people rested first and foremost with the State itself.*” The two most relevant paragraphs of R2P declare:

138. Each individual State has the responsibility to protect its populations from genocide, war crimes, ethnic cleansing and crimes against humanity. This responsibility entails the prevention of such crimes, including their incitement, through appropriate and necessary means. We accept that responsibility and will act in accordance with it. The international community should, as appropriate, encourage and help States to exercise this responsibility and support the United Nations in establishing an early warning capability.

“139. The international community, through the United Nations, also has the responsibility to use appropriate diplomatic, humanitarian and other peaceful means, in accordance with Chapters VI and VIII of the Charter, to help protect populations from genocide, war crimes, ethnic cleansing and crimes against humanity. In this context, we are prepared to take collective action, in a timely and decisive manner, through the Security Council, in accordance with the Charter, including Chapter VII, on a case-by-case basis and in cooperation with relevant regional organizations as appropriate, should peaceful means be inadequate and national authorities manifestly fail to protect their populations from genocide, war crimes, ethnic cleansing and crimes against humanity. We stress the need for the General Assembly to continue consideration of the responsibility to

protect populations from genocide, war crimes, ethnic cleansing and crimes against humanity and its implications, bearing in mind the principles of the Charter and international law. We also intend to commit ourselves, as necessary and appropriate, to helping States build capacity to protect their populations from genocide, war crimes, ethnic cleansing and crimes against humanity and to assisting those which are under stress before crises and conflicts break out.

“140. We fully support the mission of the Special Adviser of the Secretary-General on the Prevention of Genocide.”¹⁸

These two paragraphs seem to be most acceptable, but are they telling the truth? The hypocrisy, here, is that the United States has been using **R2P** in order to repress nations accused of committing genocide against their own people, such as Sudan, Somalia, Libya, Syria amongst others. So, if you think that **R2P** was created to defend the sovereignty of human rights around the world, think again.

On August 4, 2011, the White House Office of the Press Secretary issued the following release, titled [Presidential Study on Mass Atrocities](#). Read carefully the document which follows:

“SUBJECT: Creation of an Interagency Atrocities Prevention Board and Corresponding Interagency Review

“Preventing mass atrocities and genocide is a core national security interest and a core moral responsibility of the United States.

“Our security is affected when masses of civilians are slaughtered, refugees flow across borders, and murderers wreak havoc on regional stability and livelihoods. America's reputation suffers, and our ability to bring about change is constrained, when we are perceived as idle in the face of mass atrocities and genocide. Unfortunately, history has taught us that our pursuit of a world where states do not systematically

¹⁸ US 2005 United Nations report on [Responsibility to protect](#). The policy of [The Responsibility to Protect](#) was set up at the end of 2001 by the Canadian Government agency called the International Commission on Intervention and State Sovereignty (ICISS).

slaughter civilians will not come to fruition without concerted and coordinated effort.

“Governmental engagement on atrocities and genocide too often arrives too late, when opportunities for prevention or low-cost, low-risk action have been missed. By the time these issues have commanded the attention of senior policy makers, the menu of options has shrunk considerably and the costs of action have risen.

“In the face of a potential mass atrocity, our options are never limited to either sending in the military or standing by and doing nothing. The actions that can be taken are many: they range from economic to diplomatic interventions, and from non combat military actions to outright intervention. But ensuring that the full range of options is available requires a level of governmental organization that matches the methodical organization characteristic of mass killings.

“Sixty six years since the Holocaust and 17 years after Rwanda, the United States still lacks a comprehensive policy framework and a corresponding interagency mechanism for preventing and responding to mass atrocities and genocide. This has left us ill prepared to engage early, proactively, and decisively to prevent threats from evolving into large scale civilian atrocities.

“Accordingly, I hereby direct the establishment of an interagency Atrocities Prevention Board within 120 days from the date of this Presidential Study Directive.

“Signed BARACK OBAMA.”¹⁹

Shockingly, the document you have just read gives the Government of the United States license to commit genocide under the guise of protecting against it! Strange, yes, but surprising, not at all, if you know how to read between the lines.

¹⁹ [Presidential Study Directive on Mass Atrocities / whitehouse.gov \(archives.gov\)](http://www.whitehouse.gov/archives.gov)

According to Michele Steinberg's 2011 report²⁰, the **R2P** was never accepted by the UN General Assembly and 118 members plus 18 representatives of observer nations of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM), a total of 136 representatives, because they considered Responsibility To Protect (**R2P**) to be a dangerous concept of selective punishment.

One would think that the mission of the Responsibility To Protect (**R2P**) is a humanitarian policy to protect the sovereignty of human beings against genocide. Think again. According to an article in *Foreign Policy* magazine of January 2004, George Soros stated:

“Sovereignty is an anachronistic concept originating in bygone times when society consisted of rulers and subjects, not citizens. It became the cornerstone of international relations with the Treaty of Westphalia in 1648.... The rulers of a sovereign state have *a responsibility to protect the state's citizens* (emphasis added). When they fail to do so, the responsibility is transferred to the international community.”²¹

This is the license which authorized the U. S. Government to commit genocide around the world under the cover of “humanitarian intervention,” for the last 13 years. Steinberg reported that this is how the U. S. Government gave itself the license to “bulldoze through military actions against any country that is deemed to have ‘attacked its own population’ ... **R2P** was the explicit justification cited by the Obama White House for starting the war in Libya.”²²

The motive behind such a hypocritical American policy was identified clearly by EIR's Dennis Small in his presentation to [*The Manhattan Project*](#) on February 24, 2024.²³

²⁰ Michele Steinberg, [*The British Empire Is Using 'R2P' To Destroy the U.S.*](#), EIR, May 6, 2011, p. 34.

²¹ Michele Steinberg, Op. Cit., p. 34.

²² Michele Steinberg, Op. Cit., p. 34 and 37.

²³ [*Rebuild the "Land of a Thousand Cities": Use LaRouche's Oasis Plan to Save Lives in Gaza | The LaRouche Organization*](#)

Dennis demonstrated that the purpose for such a license to kill was to reduce the Potential Relative Population Density (**PRPD**) of the entire planet. Evil is the deliberate lack of development of the human population. Evil is simply the lack of the good, thus, there is no reason not to turn the policy back to human development. This is the best way to understand the difference between American Business Exceptionalism and True Economic Development.

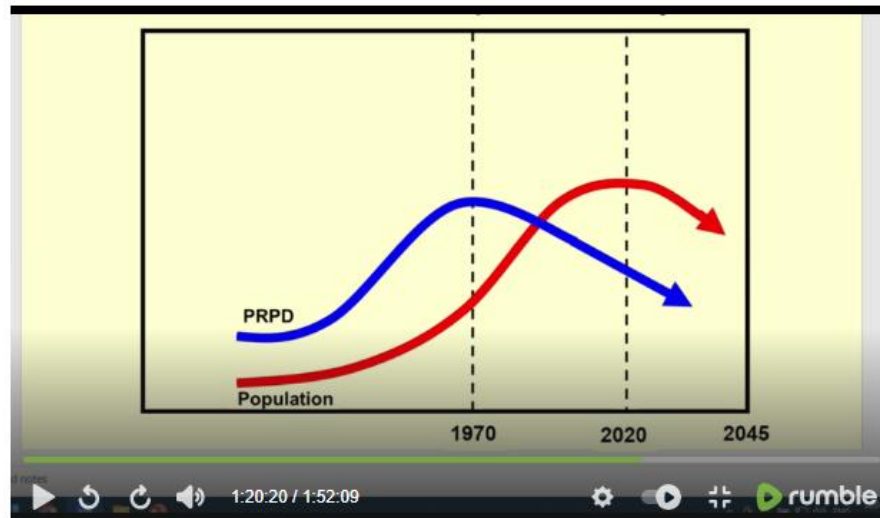


Figure 5. [Rebuild the "Land of a Thousand Cities": Use LaRouche's Oasis Plan to Save Lives in Gaza | The LaRouche Organization](#)

Figure 5 shows that *economic good* exists only when the curve of human population growth (red) and the curve of the Potential Relative Population Density (blue) maintain a parallel growing pattern, not an up and down pattern. If the **PRPD** curve collapses as it did starting in 1971, the Population curve will also tend to collapse as a result. So, as long as the **PRPD** curve keeps growing at the same rate as the population curve, Satan, or the lack of development, can be kept in check; therefore, the way to solve that world problem is to replace **R2P** by **PRPD**.

CONCLUSION: HOW TO REPLACE R2P BY PRPD

The Obama genocidal **R2P** institution was directed to involve fourteen US governmental agencies including the Office of the Vice President, and the Departments of State, Treasury, Defense, Justice, and Homeland Security, all of which were committed to reducing human population.

Isn't this signed official White House Document not also binding today for President Biden's Administration? Did the **R2P** under the Biden Administration accomplish the task that was required of it? If so, where are the reports of their findings with regard to the genocide in Gaza and Ukraine?

Furthermore, recall what former Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton, said in 2011 with arrogant laughter to a TV reporter about settling the account of Muammar Kaddafi of Libya in accordance with **R2P**: "We came, we saw, he died."

It is time to reflect on LaRouche's *vicarious hypothesis* and *metaphor* principles, and see what his method of increasing **PRPD** portends as an alternative for the future. LaRouche wrote:

"The time has come, to shift attentions less upon human sense-perception (in the customary sense), and more to our role in acting with foresight into the actual future, within the relations of the identity of the mind of the human individual within the universe, as much as we might presently come to know that universe.

"By stating that, as just done, I am implicitly arguing here for the establishment of a newly incorporated, "fourth state" of maturation of the members of our human species: the realization of a newly added, higher category (a fourth) of the human mind: (foetus, child, post-adolescent, and "transcendental"): e.g., "forethought," "noëtic." By this use of the term otherwise knowable as "transcendental," I mean that we are to be considered heretofore as prisoners of the kind of immature, mistaken state of belief, the dubious belief that mere sense-perception is the author of reality.

"By "transcendental," I am now indicating, as I often had in times past, for emphasis: the notion of the human individual identity, as no longer a prisoner of mere sense-perception; but, rather, that we need to emphasize the fact, that it is the specifically human mind which is the actually existent personality which must be properly associated with the

*notion of a human individual's personality: the domain within which both science and Classical artistic composition combine, in effect, as noëtic: the only true "substance" of the actually living human personality. Or, might we not say: "Soul?"*²⁴

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²⁴ Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., [*Art, Science & Sense-Perception*](#), EIR, Vol. 40, No. 42, October 25, 2013, pp. 42-43.