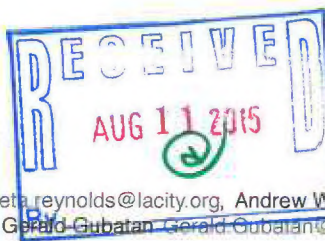


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Council President Wesson and fellow LA City Councilmembers:

With regards to COUNCIL FILE #15-0719, I am writing to share our **strong support for Mobility Plan 2035** and encourage the Los Angeles City Council **to adopt the plan as currently drafted.**

The Los Angeles Department of City Planning and the Department of Transportation led an excellent multi-year outreach process with a diverse group of constituents and stakeholders.

The time, energy and professional expertise that went into that effort is highly commendable and should be celebrated as an outstanding example of community outreach and best-management practices for the city.

I highly encourage you to adopt the plan and to further promote a cooperative and effective political process that neither de-rails or interferes with what has otherwise been a very healthy, open and meaningful professional outreach process.

We as taxpayers have invested in a high-caliber Planning and DOT departments for a reason - and we encourage all of the Los Angeles City Councilmembers to respect and to trust that professional expertise. Their recommendations should be highly regarded, trusted and implemented as judiciously as possible.

Otherwise, why spend the millions of dollars that we do on those professional departments?

Furthermore, as you already know, politicizing a professional planning and outreach process may risk demoralizing a workforce, which in turn further dampens productivity.

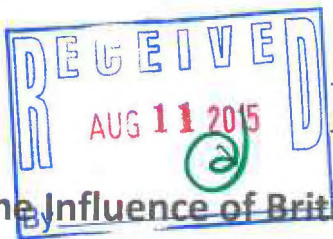
Therefore, I wholeheartedly encourage you to help shepherd the Mobility Element update through the City Council process in such a way that delivers direct and meaningful success to an end result that embraces the complete Mobility Plan update as currently drafted.

Additional points to consider:

1. Based on the sprawling nature of Los Angeles, nearly every street passes by someone's home. It is unfair to penalize the safety and welfare of each individual resident by prioritizing swiftness of movement over the value of place making. That is, every street serves as someone's front yard. Let's value that premise by striving for safer, healthier and more beautiful streets that function more effectively as places for people rather than places for fast-moving machinery.
2. Zero-emission vehicles and shared-mobility options will continue to take precedence. While many of us our shifting to less carbon-intensive mobility options (foot, rail, bus, bike), those that continue to drive automobiles will eventually be driving less intensively emitting autos and since it will take years and years of development to implement the Mobility Plan, that by the year 2035 when much of this vision has been realized, the carbon impacts will be negligible by the continuance of those that select to drive.
3. The status-quo is unacceptable. A new plan forward must be reached and to simply cling on to the idea that traffic congestion can be reduced by widening roads is a time-proven fallacy. Therefore, let's have the faith and the courage to understand that tomorrow will be vastly different than today and that there is a clear indication from a shifting demographic that expanding mobility options for all Angeleno's is a sign of genuine progress.
4. Even if adopted today, the Mobility Plan will take years and years to implement since it will predominantly only effect street standards as new development occurs. Therefore, let's not fear the path forward and let's build more consensus for how all stakeholders want a healthier and more beautiful Los Angeles that continues to attract a diverse population of people and provides continuous opportunity for investment and prosperity.

We welcome your leadership on this important issue.

Very truly yours,



Under the Influence of British Intentions, Nuclear War is getting closer

President Obama's move to trigger war with Russia and/or China is getting closer, and the way to prevent it is to remove him. He has been making global war "step by step," a "war by war" escalation since the 2011 turning point of the assassination of Qaddafi and unleashing of terrorist chaos from Libya.

During the weekend the White House escalated its announcement of a week ago, that Obama might order U.S. military forces to attack any force which bothered Syrian rebels who have been trained by the United States. Now it has expanded this to any U.S. military "asset," anywhere in the world the United States is conducting military training, and that clearly would include Ukraine.

Obama takes each step, each escalation, each new war, without the slightest nod to the Congressional representatives of the American people. And now Congress is in recess for the next month, with the Guns of August threatening.

War is not a certainty, but it cannot be prevented if people deny the possibility of global war simply because they do not want to, or fear, having to do something themselves to stop it. Obama's intentions are increasingly recognized by people in leading positions around the world. Large numbers should sign the petition being circulated by the Schiller Institute for the past 10 days, which calls for Obama's removal from office — the one best shot for preventing nuclear war.

It is critical to realize what *EIR* Founding Editor Lyndon LaRouche reiterated Aug. 10 to the LaRouche PAC Policy Committee: With Obama, "We are under the influence of the British Empire's leading, long-standing intention. That intention is to reduce the human population

drastically." The British royal family and its councils and advisors are prepared even to wipe out the majority of the world's population, and they have said so. "The thermonuclear war threat is there," LaRouche said, "because Obama is essentially an agent of that British imperial intention."

Stopping this threatened global war requires optimism, the kind represented by the future-oriented science and development thrust of the BRICS-allied nations. One of the leading U.S. military opponents of Obama's war policies — Gen. Michael Flynn, fired by Obama as head of the Defense Intelligence Agency in 2013 for that reason — has now exposed the British-White House-Saudi *intention* from 2012, to create an "Islamic Caliphate" like ISIS in Iraq and Syria. But in his internationally circulated interview, General Flynn does more — he insists that region-wide economic development centered around nuclear power is the one thing that gives any chance for the return of peace in the Mideast; everything else is "just tactics."

This aspect of leading U.S. military officers' opposition to Obama's wars is a reason for optimism. But the President has to be removed from office, as we removed a President in 1974 to prevent disaster. We have to do it again.

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Gen. Flynn: Strategic Vision, Nuclear Power, Required To Stop War

Former Defense Intelligence Agency head, retired Gen. Michael Flynn's Aug. 4 "Head to Head" interview with Al Jazeera's Medhi Hasan, is not only explosive for his charge that the Obama administration made a "willful decision" to support jihadist groups forming an Islamic Caliphate.

In the interview, available on YouTube and being picked up now by more media, RT included, the outspoken

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general gave voice to the demand of a broader grouping of thoughtful U.S. military leaders, that the United States end its policy of war and more war, and come to an agreement with the nations of the Middle East, as a region, on an economic development strategy which alone can underpin peace.

General Flynn spoke with most passion in the sometimes contentious interview, when insisting that peace in the Middle East is "doable," but it requires vision, strategy, imagination!

History will not be kind about the United States' decision to go into Iraq in 2003, he said; looking back over 50, 60, 70 years, we've made a number of strategic mistakes which put fire on already burning embers. Something is wrong with our policy and our strategy when the number of terrorist groups listed on the State Department's designated terror list has *doubled* between 2004 and 2014.

We've invested in more conflict, instead of solutions. We're sending in more drones, more bombs, more guys going out to kill more guys. Dropping drones, "training 60 guys," are *tactical* measures, narrow things which lead only to greater conflict, when there are *strategic solutions* for this region, centered on a change in the economic system in the entire Middle East.

What General Flynn put on the table as key to that change, is a regional framework for nuclear energy development, to allow, in particular, nuclear desalination. The Saudis, Jordan, Egypt, now Tunisia are signing nuclear accords with Russia, which is a nuclear developer, he pointed out. Nuclear energy is the most cost-effective form of desalination, key for creating the water the region needs, he specified. And while he remains opposed to the current P5+1 accord with Iran, and distrusts the Iranian leadership, he argues that Iran should be part of an overall regional accord premised on nuclear energy development which the P5+1 should be involved in creating.

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General Flynn would have us think about the future we are trying to achieve for the next 10 years, 50 years, the next century. That is strategy. For ISIL and the jihadis to be defeated, nations must give their youth, particularly the young men who are 15-25 years old, something to do, he insists.

The interview concluded with the question: did the General plan to run for President?

Obama Devises New Legal Rationale for Syria War and New Wars

The Obama Administration has crept another step closer to expanded warfare, using the same method evident a week ago when it announced that it had given the military the authority to attack Syrian government forces if they engage in combat against armed opposition groups trained by the U.S. military. A questionable policy change is hatched in the bowels of the White House and leaked to a reporter via some anonymous official, rather than engaging the U.S. Congress and the American people on war and peace.

This time, the step involves the new legal rationale the Obama White House gives to explain the legal authority it believes it has to support the above policy, announced via unnamed source last week: Article II of the Constitution. "If Syrian government forces attack the Syrian fighters we have trained and equipped while they were engaging ISIL, the President would have the authority under Article II of the Constitution to defend those fighters," the unnamed senior administration official told *The Hill*. Nor does this just apply to the handful of vetted fighters that the U.S. military has trained; it covers the groups they come from and return to, which haven't been vetted. In fact, a U.S. official (the same one?), said the U.S.-led coalition already is providing those groups with air support against ISIS even though they do not yet have U.S.-trained rebels embedded with them...Full Story at LaRouchePAC.com

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